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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK, 1709

(VOLUME NO. 40)

[*From January 6 to December 29, 1709.*]

——Fort St. George, January $17\frac{08}{09}$——

The Consultation and Diary Booke of Thomas Pitt Esq^r., Governour and President, &c^a. Council their proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the R^t. Hon^ble. United Trade of the English Company Trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Chormandell &c^a. Begun 6^th January $170\frac{8}{9}$.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^r., Governour & President. — Thursday 6^th.
William Martin. — Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. — Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.

Agreed Narrain has a Bale Broadcloth he paying for it as the [. . .]

The Governour produced a Letter he received from Cap^t. Gale, which savers very much of his taking advice from some vile and factious people of this Town, and upon discoursing with him about it, he seems to think that the Companys Commission is of that nature that noe power here can revoke it, or break him upon any misdemenour whatever, the Letter is as Entered after this Consultation.

The Chief and Council of Vizagapatam advising in their last Letter that a New Nabob was coming down that way, and requested that we would send them proper Goods for Presents, and money to goe on with their Investment: Agreed that the ffollowing Treasure and Goods be sent them on Narrains Vessell bound thither.

One Box containing Pagod^s.	...	3000
Broadcloth Fine Peices	...	6
Broadcloth Aurora ...	...	12
Ditto ordinary ...	...	18
Perpetuanoes Ordinary ...	...	60

Petty Merchandize, Armory stores.
Factors Provissions.

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The Governour produces a Letter he had wrott in [answere to that received from Doodee Cawn] which was now read and approved of, and is as Entered after this Consultation Capt. Stoaks Comandr. of the Mountegue delivers in his request for Forty Tons of Salt Petre more then his Charterparty allowance, agreed the same be granted him and [h] is request is as Entered after Consultation & that the Originall to be sent the Company in ye Packet.

RICHD. HUNT. THO. PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.

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6 There being arrived at Egmore a Phirmaund from the King the Governr. and Council with ye Inhabitants went thither to receive the same about nine this morning, and returned to the ffort where the great Guns was fired as usuall on such occasion.

SR.

Upon due consideration I humbly beg the favour of your Honour to returne me the Commission the Honourable Company has been pleased to give me, I firmly beleaving that to be a sufficient order for me to obey and follow all the Commands which I shall receive from your Honour or the Honourable Council, your Honour has been pleased to declare yor. intentions of going for England, which would prove of great disadvantage to me should I resign my Commission it will then be in the power of your Honours Successor to remove me for which reason I hope your Honour will be pleased to give me ye liberty of keeping the Commission the Honble. Company has been pleased to Grant me, and to give me the Post of Lieutenant according to their orders, which is the humble request of .

Sr.,
Yor. Honrs. most Obedient
and most dutifull humble Servant,
SAMUEL GALE

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT, ESQR.
and COUNCILL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

Having received on board of the Mountague the quantity of Salt Petre that I am to carry by Charterparty I find that it will not be enough for to make her saile worthy to begg you will let me have Forty Tuns of Salt Petre more, I am your Honours most humble Servant.

FORT ST. GEORGE, JAMES STOACKS.
JANUARY 4TH. $170\frac{8}{9}$.

TO ZOODE CAWN LORD HIGH STEWARD
OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD,
FROM THE GOVERNOUR OF CHINAPATAM,
JANUARY 4TH. $170\frac{8}{9}$.

The 13th of last month was the happy day that we were blessed with the great King Shaw Allums Husbulhookum and his Royall Vest, which we received with all duty and respect immaginable, and with all publick joy suitable to the occasion.

His Majestys Commands in his Husbullhookum shall be strictly obey'd as far as it lyes in our power but that mentioned of the Pyrats is impossible to be complyed with, unless we were able to command the winds, for as they blow in these parts halfe the year Northerly, and the other halfe Southerly, it gives those vile people an

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opportunity of falling into the tracks of all Ships that saile in these Seas, besides those Pyrats have such intelligence from most of the Ports on the Sea Coast, that prevents their falling in with what Ships are looking out to destroy them, for if they get to windward never soe little they have a fair opportunity to escape, for no Ship can goe after 'em against wind and Currant, your Seas also are so large that a thousand Ships cannot wholy prevent misfortunes from Pyrats, noe more then the strictest and watchfullest government in the world can prevent Robberys ashore, And as our Nation have suffered most of any Europeans, so has our King endeavoured the most of any to destroy them, who sent out four Ships of Warr who cruiz'd all these seas, and mett not with one Pyratt, so went to the Kingdome of Madagascar where they are protected, but they burnt their Ships and Vessells, which they soon recruted by seizing the first Ship of any Nation that came to Trade with the Natives of that Kingdom, and to this day we have noe Ship come out of England but has a Commission from the King to destroy all Pyrats, and as they take any to hang them up, and all our settlements have commissions to do the same, and last year on the Mallabar Coast the Pyrats tooke a Banians Ship, which one of our Ships came up with and retook her, and delivered her to the Owner and hang'd the men, S^{r}. This business of the Pyrats has created great troubles at Suratt more especially to the Europeans whose Goods to great Amount they seiz'd, and forced to give security for the Seas, which occasioned the Dutch to complain to the late King of blessed memory whose Actions of Honour Justice and mercy were as innumerable as the sand upon the Sea Shore, who out of his Royall wisdome considering the impossibility of any Company of Merchants to comply with such orders he directed his Royall Husbulhookum to Aminat Cawn wherein he commanded him to deliver the Dutch their Paper and returne their Goods they had seizd on that Account, And then how can it be expected that a Comp^{a} of Merchants can be at soe vast a charge who must bring their strength for such an undertaking from their own Country who often dye halfe before their arrivall, soe that their stock for Trade will be consumed in charges without answering the end or a possibility of it, and if your Excellency please to look noe farther then y^{e} Coast of Sindy and Mallabar, which for many years and is still abounding with Pyrats of those Countrys who have done great mischeif to the Trade of all Nations, and these Pyrats are as it were in your Kings own Country, whose strength, Glory and Riches are to be compared next to that of Heaven, and yet 'tis found difficult to roote them out, then how can it be expected that a Comp^{a} of Merchants that live in the remotest part of the world from you, can give security for your seas which are so many thousand Leagues, much more can be said to render the impracticability, as alsoe the impossibility of such an undertaking by Merchants of any Nation in the world, soe humbly refer it to your consideration.

With the Royall Husbulhookum and Vest I receiv'd the Honour of the great Cawn Bauhadar Perwanna and your Excellencys, for which we return you our most humbly thanks, but want words to express 'em suitable to our obligations, for that you have given instances to our Nation, and me your Servant of your inestimable freindship for we are very sencible that none but such a Friend as you, could have procured us such Honours from the great and mighty King Shaw Allem whose favour and protection we shall endeavour to preserve by all means in our power, and make good y^{e} Character you have Honoured us with to his Majesty: I have advised to all Sea Ports concerning that affair you commanded me, and when Abdull ffazeel comes I shall assist him in his Voyage to Pegue, from whence there is noe Ship nor Embassadour from the King of that Country.

Nabob Dowed Cawn was gone some time before your Perwanna arrived, since the receipt of which I have procured many of the Curiositys you mention for a Present, for which we want a safe convevance for that we have daily of great Robberys on the road, therefore desire your Excellency to favour us with an order to all Nabob and Governours to guard the Present from place to place whatever way it comes, and with it shall come our most Dutifull and humble Petition to the King with our addresses to the great Cawn Caunaun and Cawn Bahaudur, but for want of

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Englishmen of long standing and experience in the Country beleive we shall send a Brahmin with it, and direct him to follow your orders, which we humbly request you'l favour him with and your protection, for as we have made a happy begining in this affair, we hope by the continuance of your Freindship to come to a speedy and Honourable conclusion thereof which we shall attribute intirely to your favour, for which we hope to seek out means to make our gratitude as conspicuous as your Excellency has your Noble and Generous freindship, by conferring those inestimable Honours and favours on us. For which we shall not only permitt but command & enjoyne the Cojee of this place every day (but we in our devotion shall doe the same) pray for the long & happy Reigne of the great King Shaw Allem, as alsoe for the health and prosperity of the Princes, the Great Cawn Bahaudar, Cawn Caunan, and alway's in a particular manner for our Honourable and invaluable freind Zoodee Cawn and his Family, that they may be alway's blessed with their Kings favour, health & prosperity.

THOMAS PITT.

7 Ship Resolution Cap^{t}. Hart Comand^{r}. arrived in this road from Bencoolen by whom received a Generall Letter from the Governour and Council there dated ultimo Septemb^{r}. 1708.

— Danes Sloop saild for Trincombar

— Ship Chindadree saild for Cuddaloor.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 8TH. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}., GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t}. for the month of December last, and delivers to the Warehousekeepers 1762 Rupees 4^{ans}. for Custom on Silver Coin'd.

Ordered the Warehousekeepers sell six peices of Scarlet to M^{r}. Chardin to be pay'd for as the other shall sell.

The Governour now produces his answere to Zoodee Cawns private Letter, as alsoe his answere to the Phirman and Zulphaker Cawns Perwanna, which are all now read and approved; and the Translates of the Phirman and Zulphaker Cawn Perwanna Read as Translated by the Reverend M^{r}. George Lewis, and are all as Entered after this Consultation.

This day the Armenians, Moors and Gentues Inhabitants of this place, hearing that the Governour designed Home upon the Litchfeild delivered in a Petition (as Entered after this Consultation) requesting that he would stay till the business of a Phirmaund was negotiat'd with the Grand Mogull, and all the Council urged the same, which the Governour could nor would not promise to comply therewith, but take some days to consider thereof, having disposed all his affairs for going home on the Litchfeild.

We this day summoned M^{r}. Lewis, Auga Pera, Narrain, and Surapau to be with us in Council to consider of this weighty affair negotiating with the King, who approved of the answers to the Letters, and what had been done in the preparation of a Present to be sent him on his arrivall at Gulcondah.

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Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of Bencoolen dated ultimo September now read, advising the misserable condition the Companys affairs are in, in those parts.

Warehousekeepers report that they had deliverd twenty Chests of Silver to the old Companys President and Council p^{r}. £5938. 10 oz : 10 dust. at 16½ Doll^{s} for 10 Pag. is agod^{s}. 49033 : 24 fas. 40 ca. for which the old Company are Debted as part of what owing from the United Trade.

Ordered that Hugh Boy'd and Isaack Gwyn Souldiers be discharged from future Service in this Garrison having served their Contracted time.

GUISTON ADDISON. THO. PITT.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^{R}. OF FFORT
S^{T}. GEORGE, &C^{A}. COUNCIL FOR AFFAIRS
OF THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE} UNITED ENGLISH
EAST INDIA COMPANY.

Hon^{ble} S^{r}. &c^{a}.

The humble Petition of all the Inhabitant of y^{e} City of Madrass.
Humbly Sheweth.

That your Petitioners being informed that the Hon^{ble} Governour designs for England, after having seriously taken it into their consideration, humbly think it against the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companys Interest, and the good of the place, at this time, when he has so lately Honoured with the Kings Royall Husbulhookum and Vest, through y^{e} means of his old and assured Freind Zoode Cawn, and we heartily wish he may daily increase in the Kings esteem, and that his name may be spread throughout all this Kingdom, but are afraid should he goe before he has ended this business, we shall loose entirely the Kings Favour according to the Custom of this Country and will certainly be a detriment to this place and the Inhabitants thereof. we therefore make it our humble request to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. that the Governour would please to deferr his going, and afford us his protection, till this great affair is settled. for which

As in Duty bound shall
ever Pray, &c^{a}.

TO ZOODE CAWN LORD HIGH STEWARD
OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD,
JAN^{Y}. 5TH. 1708.

By your faithfull chubdar Cossae, by whom your Excellency sent the Royall Husbulhookum and Vest &c. Perwannas, I now send this humble address which doubtless you expected sooner, and had been sent but for the two following reasons, your Excellency enjoyning Secrecy, I was obliged to committ the Translating of 'em to some particular freinds which tooke up fourteen days, when fully appriz'd of the purport thereof, I could not but be surpriz'd at your unparelled expressions of Freindship & invaluable Honours you have done us, which so confounded my thoughts for some days that I almost despaird of being able to acknowledge 'em by my Pen or otherways, but then considering what a Generous freind I had mett with who had been so lavish of his favours to one who had as little power as meritt to oblige you, I could no longer refraine from blessing my Starrs who were soe propitious to me, as to give me the Honour of y^{r}. first acquaintance, which I esteem the happyest fate y^{t} has attended me thro' the whole Course of my Life, which I shall for ever remember, and that posterity may doe the same I humbly

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request that when you come to Gulcondah you'l Honour me with sending me your Picture, which I will send to England, and have it copyed by the most exquisite Limner in the world, and order it to be sent me hither beside I will erect your Effigie finely cutt in marble with such an inscription on it that the world may know the Authour of our happyness in these Parts. I can't but blush when I am thinking of giving you farther trouble which I can't avoy'd since you are pleased to Command me in a Letter a part wherein you propose severall things that I think my Duty to give my thoughts thereon, your Excellency gives us great hopes of the Kings Phirman, when he comes to Gulcondah where God send him safe and Victorious.

Your Excellency writes that there must be Presents for all the Princes and some of the Great men, if you mean such as are sutable to their Birth and quality, 'tis impossible for us to purchase 'em with our Comp^{s} Estate, who you know are Merchants that run great risgoe to gett a little, and who often meet with loss instead of gain, we hope as the Presents we intend are suitable to our circumstances that they will meet with a Gracious acceptance from the great King and Princes, w^{ch}. puts me in mind of what we read in History, that upon many persons making very rich Presents to a King, there happen'd a poor man to come with a drop of water which was as acceptable as any of their Presents, being according to his ability.

And for what your Excellency is pleased to mention concerning Islands on the Coast of Pegue, Aracan, Fort of Pollicatt &c^{a}. we can't think them usefull to us, for that we desire no more territorys in these parts, y^{n} what are necessary to preserve our Trade and Estate, from suddain insults of flying armys such as Morattas &c^{a} yet if his Majesty would bestow on us the Island of Diu near Metchlepatam it may incourage us to revive our Trade in those parts and cultivate it soe as to make it proper place to preserve it, where may be alsoe made a good Port for the Kings and all Merchants Ships to lye out of Danger in the time of the Monsoone, which is very much wanted, there not being one on all this Coast, but y^{n} you say what will we give for the first, second & third year, your Excellency well knows that along the Sea Coast 'tis nothing but a heap of sand, and that y^{e} improving of it is very chargeable, of which we have large experience in Chinapatam for that for sixty years 'twas a vast yearly charge to us, and since brings in very little more then what defrays its expences, to rather then making the Phirman chargeable to us, we by your Excellencys assistance hope his Majesty will Grant it to confirme our Priviledges bestowed on us by his Royall Predecess.^{rs} thro'out all his Dominions with those small additions I made in my former Letters if they can without difficulty be obtain'd, and for what you say of S^{t} Thoma I undertsand 'tis let at this time for six thousand Pago^{ds}. ℔ annum including all the Villages belonging thereto at which rate we shall be willing to take it for a long terme of years, and for noe other end, but to procure our quiet, and for Trivitore 'tis one of y^{e} five Towns that Nabob Dowed Cawn gave us his Perwanna for, on his departure, and hope we shall have the great Cawn Bawdars to confirme it, hearing it is in his Jaggeer. As we desire the Phirman to be Generall, I must lett you know how matters stand wth us in Bengall & Surat. In Bengall we have the Kings Phirman, the Princes Nichan, and severall Nabob Perwanna for being Custom free in the Kingdoms of Bengall, Bahar, and Orixa upon paying Three thousand Rupees ℔ Annum at Hugley into the Kings Treasury, and for our settlement at Callcutta, where we desire his Maj^{ty}. would be pleased to give us leave to erect a Mint to coine Rupees and Moors with his Royall stamp according to the true matt and weight of those coined in his Royall Mint of Rajamaul which conveniency would very much contribute to our increasing that Trade, I must alsoe acquaint you that notwithstanding the Royall Grants before mentioned, we have mett with there of late years great abuses and obstructions to our Trade, more particularly as to our goods that come from Patna, Dacca, Rajamaul, Malda, Cassumbusar &c^{a}. every little Governour having erected all along the Rivers Chookeys who extort Custom, and what they please, and will pay noe deference to the Royall Authority, in so much that our goods on the Boats are often coming downe six or eight months, so that we either loose the Monsoone to send 'em on our Ships or they are damidged and rotten before they arrive.

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Then at Surat the Merchant is unhappy that Trades to that port and this I write from experience that the usage in the Custom house to most men perwers is soe barbarous becoming slaves rather then Merchants, and noe better as to their goods where by the Kings order, we pay 3½℔ Cent according to the value of the goods which they generally rate fifty ℔ Cent or double the worth in the Buzar & accordingly make up their Custom Account, when in all parts of the world where they Act with Honour & justice the Customer that overvalues Goods is obliged to take them at that price, and in all Ports that are inriched and flourishing by Trade for incouragement of which they allways values Goods Ten ℔ Cent less then their intrinsick value, which increases the Customs by incourageing Merchants to frequent the Port, then besides their dispatchess there in their Custom house are so delitary that our ships often loose their Monsoon, and Merchants the sale of their Goods, so hope there may be some way found in a Phirman that these grievances may be remedied for the future, which will tend greatly to y^e^ Hon^r^. of the King, and to the augmentation of riches in his country, we have alsoe a settlement at Vizagapatam where we would much increase our Trade if his Majesty would bestow on us the blessing of his incouragement ; we have for many years rented there four Towns on the following term's.

Perwanda and Woodapoonda Rup^s^	...	...	...	...	900 ℔ ann^m^.
Wallteero	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	500
Maulcapooram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90

for which Villages and Vizagapatam together we pay yearly at Chiccacull into the Kings treasury Rupees 4862, the two first Villages for which we pay Rupees 900. are at a great distance from Vizagap^m^. for which reason we are willing to quit 'em, soe y^t^ deducted, there will be rupees 3962, which we are willing to pay yearly if his Majesty pleases to give us a purpetuall Grant thereof, which will prevent us a great deal of trouble that we generally meet with from New Officers at their first coining to the Government, if the great King pleases to give us two or three small Towns w^ch^ joine to ours, we shall alwayes be gratefull for his Royall favours. In the King of Gulcondahs time for the incouragem^t^. of our Trade we were Custom free thro'out his Country.

Your Excellency is well acquainted with our paying here 1200 Pagod^s^. ℔ annum which if his Majesty would be pleased to forgive in his Phirman it would be a great incouragement to us in our business, and the only merit we can plead for so great a favour is that we yearly import into his Majestys Dominions a Vast amount in Treasure, and carry away nothing for it, but y^e^ product and manifacture of his Country.

We are very sensible that your Excellency must have been at Charges in our affairs, which we are ready to pay with all the gratitude mankind can be capable off, and wish our ability was equall to our inclination to make sutable return's to the great Zoode Cawn for his unparallel'd friendship and favours, which we shall alway's endeavour by all means to acknowledge, more particularly in giving frequent instances of our duty to the great King Shaw Allum (whom God preserve) and send him along and happy reigne, and that the Noble and generous Cawn Caunaun Cawn Bahawder and our invaluable friend Zoodee Cawn may be always blessed with his favour, and enjoy health and prosperity.

THOMAS PITT.

PHIRMAN from KING SHAW ALLUM.

LET the Chosen of his Cast and Nation the Governour of Chinapatam know that he may be in hopes of the Kings Favour, seeing that Cawn Bux doth purpose to fly from the Powerfull Arms of our Victorious army ; ffor that reason the Command of y^e^ Sovereign of the world, worthy of all submission & obedience is due, (is issued forth That in case he should come wandering, not knowing where to goe) into those parts, and desire to embarque himself on some Ship in order to get away ; That chosen of his Nation shall use his utmost endeavours to procure ; that he be either

killed or made a Prisoner and to effect this Let him know that the Command from the Royall Throne, is strict in the strictest manner. Written the 17th of the Moone Ramezan the Blessed in the second year of the Kings Reigne.

GOVERNOUR'S ANSWER TO THE PHIRMAN.

GOD Grant that the Great King Shaw Allum may live for ever, and at all times be victorious over his Enemy's, is the Prayers of his obedient Servant the Governour of Chinapatam, who yesterday receiyed the blessing of his Majestys Royall Phirman, to which ho's resolved to pay all Submission and obedience, and we execute the Royall Commands therein to the utmost of his Power, that the Great Kings Will may be fullfilled, and his Servant made happy thereby.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM ZULPHAKER CAWN
TO THE GOVERNR OF CHINAPATAM.
RECD. 6TH JANY 170$\frac{8}{9}$

Let the Chosen of his Cast and nation the Exemplar of his Tribe and people the great among those in favour, and the sincere of Freinds. The Governour of Chinapatam know, That the Royall Phirman Entitled Blessed in the name of that Chosen of his Nation for making Prisoner or killing of Cawn Bux, if brought by his fate a Wanderer (not knowing where to goe) into those parts, being issued forth, is send along with this Letter Upon the arrivall of that Phirman wch brings Honour with it; Let the head made Noble, and lifted up (your Honour) send his Petition (Letter) in answere to that writing of greatness and Excellence (ye Phirman) to the Throne of wealth and might, and in Case of his flying into those parts, Let him act as therein is expressed.

TO HIS HIGHNESS CAWN BAWDER,
DATED 8TH JANUARY 170$\frac{8}{9}$

We received yesterday the Blessing of the Royall Phirman, and your Highness Perwanna, and for the contents in both, we are as in Duty bound ready to obey and will execute the Royall Command to the utmost of our Power, that soe we may be happy in fullfilling the Will of the Great King, and your Highness Commands.

THOMAS PITT.

To ZOODE CAWN LORD HIGH
STEWARD OF THE HOUSEHOLD
JANUARY 14TH 170$\frac{8}{9}$

Should be Entd after ye Letter from Zoode Cawn.

I received the Honour of your Excellencys Perwanna the 10th Instant at night by our four Peons just as our Mulla had finished our Petition to the great King in answere to his Royall Husbulhookum and Vest, which you'l hear from all people was recd. with the greatest duty and respect immaginable.

We have procured all possible of those things mention'd for Presents in your Excellencys list sent us, and now in your Perwanna, but wish before their departure hence our China and Manilha Ships would arrive, which if not we shall send it afterwards, but what ready we shall hasten away, and if possible overtake Mulla Moraad to come with him, and doubt not but the persons that come with the Presents will be such as will be acceptable to you, and our Petition to the King shall come with'em as alsoe to Cawn Bawder and Cawn Caunaun; Meer Mahomud Raza & Aga Makim as they are your Excellencys Freinds I shall esteeme them mine, and serve them to the utmost of my power that they may acquire what you mention.

Mulla Coja Hamud who shall come with ye present, showed me your Excellencys Perwanna to him, and I am very much concerned that in any Letter from us we shall be wanting in our Duty and respect to highness Cawn Bawdre, whom we so much Honour and esteem but that Letter I understand was wrote by a young ignorant Mulla, when Coja Hamud was at Arcott, so we hope his Highness out of his wounted

clemency and generosity will not impute it as a crime in us who are wholy uncapable of reading what they write.

Here are two Shells that were sent to Zulphaker Cawn of which I never before heard one word since my arrivall here nor doe I understand how to make a fountain of 'em, nor can I find any body to informe me S^r^ every Perwanna your Excellency is pleased to honour me with gives me such fresh instances of your inestimable freindship that I resolve to devote the remainder of my Life to find out way's and means to make my due acknowledgements and let fortune be never so favourable to me in it, I must fall short of answering your merit, and that which gives me the greatest satisfaction is that my obligations are to a generous friend who will pardon what I am uncapable of performing.

By our Ships lately arrived from Europe I had Letters from my Family which very much pressed my returne to 'em, having been absent from them now above Eleven years, we intended to have went on the Ships now dispatching but deferred it for noe other reason but to see this grand affair settled, and then to goe to my own Country full freighted with the blessings of the great King Shaw Allum procured us by the ffreindship of the noble Zoode Cawn whose worth and name our Nation will always have in very great veneration, and that me your servant may not be forgot here I humbly begg that you'l procure me the Honour of being the Kings Factor to procure him the rarietys of Europe, and that your Excellency will lay your Commands on me to send w^t^. may be most acceptable to you, and I will punctually obey it, and always pray for the long and happy reigne of the great King Shaw Allum, and that my Hon^ble^ Friend Zoodee Cawn may be always blessed with his favours and enjoye health and prosperity.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM ZOODEE CAWN
LORD HIGH STEWARD OF
KING SHAW ALLUM HOUSEHOLD.

REC^d^. 12^TH^ JANUARY $170\frac{8.}{9.}$

May your Hon^r^. always enjoy the Blessing of the Kings favour, when his Majesty arrived at Nandeir, I received your Letter to me, and yo^r^ Petition to the King which came very oppertunely, and I presented the same at a convenient time; with w^ch^ his Majesty was highly pleased, and has sent you a Vest of Honour and his Royall Husbulhookum by Gansij Chubdarr which I hope is come safe to your hands, and doubt not but you have pay'd all deference to it as is requisite on such great occasions; and now is your time to send your Presents according to the List I formerly sent you, which wo^d^ not have you deferr, and write me fully of the priviledges you would have granted you, and I'll represent the same to his Majesty, and upon offering your presents, I will procure a Phirman and send you according to your hearts desire, but pray be very expeditious with what you send, that is to say your Petition to his Majesty, your Vackeel, and your Presents, and when you send your Vackeel please to send your Mulla Coja Hamud with him, alsoe one trustee Braminy and a European well acquainted with affairs of this Country; there may be noe great occasion soe long as I am at Court, for a Vackeel, but however would not have you omitt sending one, some matters may require it, don't forget to send store of China Orange trees &c^a^ I observe what you write and now is the proper monsoon to send these things which you must not faile to doe, alsoe flower Trees and what other rarietys you can procure, such as Clock work, Junks, and Images, flowers of shell Pearle, rary shows, and Chests of Clock work and the like you must send what you can of 'em, your Ships arrive or not arrived. Newrys Parrots &c^a^ birds as many as you can get; I write you this Letter from Coheir, about five Gentue Leagues from Gulcondah, & when his Majesty arrives at that City and receive your Presents, all your affairs will be speedily settled.

I have wrott to Coja Hamud your Mulla of w^ch^. matters he'l acquaint you, the sooner you send your Vackeel the better.

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I recommend to your Hon[rs] particular favour Meer Mahomud Rasau, and Aga Makeem as my good freinds that by your countenance and kindness to them, they may get themselves a name amongst their countrymen.

10. Danes Sloop saild for Trincombar.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 11[TH]. THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]., GOVERN[R] & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.

This day the Laskars of the Mountegue delivered in a Petition complaining of the Captain of said Ship who was sent for, upon which found their complaint groundless so dismissed their Petition.

This day Mess[rs]. Francis and John Cooke delivered in a Petition, and with it their Indentures with the Company, alledging that thereby they have a right to rise in the Companys Service as other Factors, which matter is agreed to be referred to the Company for their decision.

The Nabobs Deputy coming to S[t]. Thoma whither the Governour sent the Braminy to Vissett him, by whom he earnestly requested that he may make a Visset here to the Governour, as is their Customary way when they beg a Present, which we could not withstand, since the power of this Country is now wholy in his hands, so 'tis agreed the following Present be made him and those that come with him.

Deputy Nabob.	Mootumbees son.
10 y[ds]. Scarlet.	5 y[ds]. Scarlet.
2 Swords 1 Looking Glass.	Buxee.
Govern[r]. of Chinclaputt.	5 y[ds]. Scarlet. 1 sword.
5 y[s]. Scarlet. 1 Sword.	

Generall Letter from York Fort dated primo October now read advising the death of M[r]. Hoyle and Delapie and that they had a chargeable warr to the Northward as alsoe the Companys affairs there in a misserable condition.

A Letter from M[r]. Edmund Mountegue dated 7[th] Instant now read requesting to lay down the Companys Service, since he has such a hardship put upon him, as to have M[r]. Farmer his Jun[r]. put over his head, Agreed his request be granted him, and his Petition Entered after this Consultation.

Tobacco and Beetle farmers pay's into Cash 583·12[fas]. on y[t]. acc[t].

Mess[rs]. Martin and Raworth Warehousekeepers pay's into Cash Seven thousand Pagod[s]. on Account Silver sold.

M[r]. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Acco[t]. for the month of December and pay's into Cash Two hundred and twenty Pagod[s]. on that Account.

M[r]. William Martin Sea Customer pays into Cash one thousand Pag[s]. Account Sea Customs.

M[r]. Rich[d]. Hunt Rentall Generall pay's 1008·33 for Quit Rent for the year 1705, and for the Scavengers Acco[t]. Pa. 66·30·60 for the year 1707.

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The Govern^{r}. produced the ffollowing Letters w^{ch}. were all now read ffrom Zoodee Cawn, from Dowed Cawn & the Duan the Gov^{rs}. answere thereto, and the former Ent^{d}. before this Consultation.

GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

To THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF
THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE}. UNITED ENGLISH
EAST INDIA COMPANY.

Hon^{ble}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

In your last Generall to the Worp^{ll}. Deputy Governour and Council of this place you was pleased to enclose severall Paragraphs of the Hon^{ble}. the Managers Letter for their future Direction, in which I find to my great surprize they have appointed M^{r}. Richard Farmer by reason of deaths and removalls (as they say) second of this Place and appointed him Cheif on the death or removall of the Present Deputy Governour which I presume was grounded on some misinformation I therefore think myself obliged to informe your Hon^{r}. &c. of my being Sen^{r}. to said M^{r}. Farmer some years, and since the Hon^{ble}. the Managers have signifyed no reason for the great slight and indignity they have shewn in placing him above me, and thereby depriving me of my right, it is my humble request your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. would please to permitt my laying down the service except you think convenient to continue to me my due station, your complyance with either of these requests will very much oblige.

Hon^{ble}. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Yo^{r}. most hum^{ble} Serv^{t}.,
EDM^{D}. MOUNTEGUE.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID,
7TH JANUARY 170$\frac{8}{9}$.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.

THURSDAY 13TH.

The Governour having considered of the Petition deliverd in the 8th Instant relating to his staying here till the business of procuring a Phirman is finished, to effect w^{ch}. much is expected on the Friendship of Zoodee Cawn w^{ch}. is generally believed he will withdraw upon his departure to prevent which, or any other inconveniency to the Companys affairs, he now promisses in this Consultation that he will continue in the Government till September next and noe longer.

The 109th Paragraph of the Hon^{ble}. Managers Letter was this day read, wherein to our great surprize was mention'd a Complaint of M^{r}. Frederick against M^{r}. Davenport who challenged him, when upon examination 'twas found y^{t}. M^{r}. Frederick was the aggressor in giving unmannerly and rude Language to M^{r}. Davenport at the Board, w^{ch}. the Governour and others then Present will remember that he silanced them, and thought they had been well pacifyed, but that very

afternoone the Governour alsoe well remembers that Mr. Frederick came to him with a challange Mr. Davenport had sent him, when he immediately sent for him, and repremanded him, and at the same time reconcil'd them, who in his presence shuck hands and promissed to forget, and forgive on both sydes, and from that time heard no more of it (having outwardly appeared Freinds) till the reading of the aforesaid Letter.

The Governour having deferred for some time the filling up the Council, in expectation there would have been some considerable alterations made by the Company on the arrivall of the Shipping, which has only added Mr. Addison, soe that there being still one vacancy, 'tis agreed that it be filled by Mr. Davenport, who has a right to it by Meritt, as well as seniority, who has promissed the Governour that he will continue Secretary to September next and Mr. Briggandine to officiate Sub-Secretary and take charge of all Bookes and Papers in the office, the Govern^{r}. to give him the Secretarys oath of Secrecy so that the Council and their Employs are as Followeth.

Mr. William Martin Second and Bookekeeper.

Mr. Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper.

Mr. Thomas ffrederick Sea Customer.

Mr. Gulston Addison Paymaster.

Mr. Richard Hunt Land Customer.

Mr. Henry Davenport Storekeeper

which they are to Enter upon the begining next month.

There being Employs Vacant at the Sea Gate 'tis ordered they are filled as followes.

Mr. Francis Cooke Head Searcher.

Mr. Anthony Etterick Under Searcher.

Mr. Ferdinando Coningsby Register of the Manifest &c^{a}. at the Sea Gate, who are all forthwith to officiate in said Employs.

There being 288. Bales of Broadcloth come from England on the Mountegue and Litchfeild, good part of w^{ch} will be made use of in Presents, and there being a great want thereof now in the Country, 'tis agreed one hundred and twenty Bales be sold at Outcry on Monday the 24th Instant, and Notes to be fixed on the Gates to give Notice thereof, as alsoe that if any Person or Persons are willing to buy the whole they may come in the meantime to the Governour or Governour and Council, and make their proposalls.

A Letter from the President and Council of Banjarr dated primo October on board Ship Anna at Bencoolen now read, and is as Entered after this Consultation the purport thereof recommending the Bearer, Mr. Legg who came out a Factor in the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. Companys Service for Banjarr, Agreed he be Entertain'd here a Factor till the Companys pleasure be known therein.

There being a very great complaint of the Poor that the Grain Merchants keep up the Grain at an extravagant rate; the Governour ordered them all this day to appear in Council as they did, when after a long discourse with them 'twas agreed that they should sell their Paddy Imported by Sea at Fourteen Mercall for a Pagoda and Rice at seven and that brought in by Land to be sold at 15 and rice 7½ not being altogether so good as that brought from the Northward. This matter we are forced to handle very tenderly for fear the Merchants should order their Boats expected to other Ports.

Ordered that the Following Persons are Justices of the Choultry. Mr. Frederick, Mr. Addison, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Davenport and Mr. Francis Cooke.

Ordered that those that were appointed to view the cloth on the Mountegue doe also that on y^{e} Litchfeild.

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Capt. James Lee Comandr. of Ship Litchfeild did this day deliver in a Request for Twenty Tons of Salt Petre more then his Charterparty allowance, agreed the same be Granted him and his request Enter'd after this Consultn.

Cowrapa now Second Conicoply at the Choultry to be removed 2d conicoply at the Sea Gate.

Auga Pera Armenian Merchant of this Place does now complain to us that there are Letters in the hands of Mr. Henry Johnson for his Vackeel Coja Surhaad in Bengall and some other effects for him on board the Ship now arriv'd to whom Mr. Johnson refuses to deliver without an order from this board; soe 'tis hereby ordered that the said Lettrs and effects be delivered to the Governr which are consigned to Coja Surhaad in Bengall, Auga Pera having formerly proved his being his Vackeel and by the Customs of their Nation they can seize the effects or Letters of any Vackeels wherever they can find them.

GULSTON ADDISON. THO. PITT.
RICHD. HUNT. W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
GOVERNR. &CA. COUNCIL FOR
THE RT. HONBLE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY
IN FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE PETITION OF JAMES LEE COMANDR. OF SHIP LITCHFEILD
HUMBLY SHEWETH.

That your Petitioner having taken on board the Quantity of Salt Petre that was ordered by the Rt. Honble Company for Kentlage, but being likely to take in so large Quantity of Tea is apprehensive when he comes to Sea that the Ship will not be able to carry sail unless there be a greater weight in her Bottom. Wherefore your Petitioner humbly desires your Honr. &ca will order him Twenty Tons of Salt Petre more, and is your Hon.rs &ca. most humble Servant.

JAMES LEE.

Honble Sr

Whereas Mr. John Legg the bearer hereof came out a Factor to the Honble Company at Banjarr, and now meeting with very little encouragement to tarry here, he requests to be recommended to your Honr. which we believe we may boldly do for a Dilligent, ffaithfull, and very sober man, and capable of serving our Honourable Masters in the foresaid station, or any other with which you'l be pleas'd to intrust him. We are with all respect

Yor Honrs most humble Servants

BENCOOLEN OCTOBER THE p.MO 1708.
ON BOARD THE ANNA.

JAMES CUNINGHAME.
RICHARD EDWARDS.
WILLIAM GRIFFITH.

Ship Queen Anne sail'd for Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 15TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

We having received advices that the King draws near Gulcondah we think it absolutely necessary that as we have received from him the first ffavours of any Europeans, that it will tend much to our advantage if we make him the first Present,

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for if the Dutch Present before us, 'tis great odds but that theirs may be so considerable, as to render ours despicable and if ours be presentd first it may chance to be dispursed into so many hands before theirs come as not to be able to make any true valuation then by common fame, which is Generally five times the value, soe 'tis agreed that all things for the Present be packed up, and made ready to send to Metchlepatam on the Riseing Sun Smack on the first turne of the wind, and that the Persons who have the management thereof see it done. And whereas M^r^. Lewis is a very Worthy, sober, Ingeneous man, and understands the Persian Language very well, as also the Customs of the Country, Tis agreed that the Govern^r^. perswades him in behalfe of the Company to undertake the management of this affair with the King now near Gulcondah, and M^r^. Berlu who is generally well respected by the Natives, and understands Moors & Gentue Languages as alsoe their Customs 'tis agreed that he accompanys M^r^. Lewis, and in concert negotiate this affair and that in order thereto he be forthwith sent for from Fort S^t^. David.

Ordered that Thomas Isaack and Francis Canady be discharged from farther Service in this Garrison.

Agreed that six peices of Ordinary Broadcloth be deliver'd to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittee to sell to Ebraham Cawns servant who is come to pay it, and that they are accountable to the Warehousekeepers for the same.

There being severall things lying on the Choultry the Owners unknown, Tis agreed that they be sold at Outcry and the Amount pay'd into Cash, and the particulars to be Entered in the Generall Bookes.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepers adjust the Damage of the Broadcloth received by the Mountegue Viz^t^. That what Cloth will not fetch prime cost be delivered the Commander, and the other to be sold for the Comp^s^. Account.

Agreed two thousand Pagod^s^. be pay'd Mess^rs^. Raworth, Frederick and Davenport towards paying for y^e^ present to king Shaw Allum.

Gulston Addison.	Tho. Pitt.
Rich^d^. Hunt.	W. Martin.
Hen. Davenport.	Rob^t^. Raworth.
	Tho. Frederick.

16 Ship Ilahee belonging to Armenians arrived from Beng^ll^.

18 Ship Somers Cap^t^. Eustace Peacock Com^r^ arrived in y^s^. road from Ballasore where he had been, but meeting with a Lett^r^. from the Council of Bengall ordered what Ships sho^d^. come in there and bound to this Port, should forthwith sail for this Place and not goe up that River.

Ship President Cap^t^. Hopkins Com^r^. arrived in this road from Tonqueen.

At a Consultation

Monday 18th. [17th]

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Governour & President.	
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

The Commander of Ship Somers Cap^t^. Eustace Peacock coming ashore about 4 a clock this afternoone and brought with him the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Companys Packet w^ch^ was now open'd the Generall Letter being the same as that we received by the Litchfeild

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Ordered that the Warehousekeepers forthwith unload all the Treasure and Goods on board the Somers & that they deliver to the Mintmaster thirty 5 Chests of the Litchfeilds Treasure to be coined into Rupees.

HEN: DAVENPORT. ROBT. RAWORTH. THO: PITT.
THO: FREDERICK. W. MARTIN.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH.d HUNT.

This evening the Governr received advices from the Kings Waccana Vees 18
that King Shaw Allum had obtaine'd an Entire Victory over his Brother Cawn Bux, who was since dead of his wounds and one of his sons kil'd in the Battle.

Ship Greyhound Capt. Jones Comr. arrived in ys road from Bengall. 19

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FRIDAY 21ST.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Auga Makeem this day pay'd into Cash Five hundred Pagodas which was Lent to Zoode Cawns Lady to defray her Charges to the Camp as ☿ Consultation 19th of August last.

The Somers being arrived and having brought near Two hundred Bales of Broadcloth 'tis Agreed that the sale which was ordered to be the 24th be deferred to ye 26th.

We sent this day for Capt. Peacock into Counsel to be informed of the condition of his Ship, and to know whether he would be in a readiness to sail for England in twenty days, to which he replyed that it was impossible to get his Ship ready considering he had sprung his Fore mast, and must unhang his Rudder, and caulk his Ship fore and aft, and that he had not men to do it with that expedition we required, there being above half his Company sick all which we know to be true, besides we not having above half his Loading, and had we all, considering the condition he's in to dispatch him for England, would be no better then turning the Companys Estate adrift upon the Sea, so 'tis resolved that we returne her to Bengall on the 10th February and Load on her seventy Chests of Rupees, desireing them if she be in a condition to returne her up again immediately with Three thousand baggs of Salt Petre, & fill her up with Rice, and we'l returne her again in June to come up in September to goe away hence for England by which means 'tis to be hoped she will defray her Demorage.

The Warehousekeepers &ca report that they found no Sea Damage in the Broadcloth received by Ship Litchfeild, but severall peices that the Moth had taken; ordered they survey all the Cloth, and report what condition they find it in.

Agreed that Twelve Chests of Treasure be delivered to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees at 16½ Dollars for 10 Pags. provided they put it into the Mint, otherways 16¼ if they carry it away, and to be reckon'd as part of their Debt.

Capt Stoacks Comandr. of the Mountegue pays into Cash Pags. 423 : 12fas for the ffollowing damaged Broadcloth in said Ship.

Aurora Peices	12½	...	...	...	Pagods. 193 :	12
Popinjahs	18½	...	...	...	... 190	—
Perpetuances	9	...	...	...	... 40	—
					Pags. 423 :	12fas.

RICHD. HUNT. THO: PITT.
HEN: DAVENPORT. W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.

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AT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 24TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT Esq^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day was read a Generall Letter from M^r. Roberts desiring leave to lay down the Companys service in order to his returning for England, and that we will order to whom he should deliver up his Charge. This Letter brought under our consideration, that as the Governour here resolves to goe for England in September next, and if we gave M^r. Roberts leave now, who would succeed in the Government here, for which reason we gave him a flat denyall, whose Letter and our answere is as Entered after this Consultation.

M^r. Lewis was sent for this day into Consultation when we desired him to get himself ready for that we designed to dispatch the Present with all expedition, and Mess^rs Raworth &c^a who have the charge of it, were desired to expedite it with all immaginable dillegence.

It being very necessary that those Gentlemen who goe with the Present to the King appear handsomely in cloths, and that the Company should be at y^e Charge thereof, Tis therefore agreed they be allowed one hundred Pagod^s. each to defray that expence.

There being Horses wanting for this Expedition to the King, 'tis agreed that M^r. Raworth &c^a who have the management thereof buy up w^t necessary.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t David dated 19^th Instant now read, advising of their having drawn three Bills of Exchange on us [at] Ten days sight for the Ballance of their Merchants Accounts amounting to Pag^s. 31925. 15. 3 Agreed that the same be pay'd when due, and to enable us thereto, Tis agreed that y^e Warehousekeepers sells Twenty Chests of Treasure at 16½ Doll^s for 10 Pagod^s.

Ordered that the Following Stores &c^a be sent to Fort S^t. David: 2 p^s Scarlet 2 Bales of Aurora, 1 chest of stuffs for Coats. 20 bags wheat. Swords guilt & Plain 20. of each. 2 Chests of Wine Factors Provissions.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D. HUNT.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

TO THE HON^BLE THOMAS PITT Esq^r.

PRESIDENT ON THE COAST OF CHORMANDELL
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED TRADE OF
THE ENGLISH COMPANY TRADING TO
THE EAST INDIES, AND GOVERNOUR OF
FORT S^T GEORGE AND S^T DAVID
&C^A COUNCIL.

Hon^ble S^r &c^a

In your Generall Letter of the primo Instant you was pleased to enclose severall Paragraphs of the Hon^ble the Managers Letter to your Hon^r &c^a ℔ Ship Litchfeild, by which I find they have chose M^r Farmer Second of this Place, and appointed him Chief in case of my absence or Mortallity, which permitts me with greater Freedome to persue my inclinations and desires of going for England by this years Shiping, which if you are pleased to approve and admitt, I desire your speedy

orders to whom I must surrender my Charge, that may not miss the oppertunity of so good a conveyance, I Respectfully Subscribe.

Hon^ble^ S^r^ &c^a^
Your most humble Servant.
G. ROBERTS.

FORT S^T^. DAVID.
19^th^ JANUARY 170$\frac{8}{9}$

To GABRIEL ROBERTS Esq^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T^. DAVID.

S^r^.

We have received yours of the 19^th^ Ins^t^. and are sorry we can't comply with your request, for that Governour Pitt resolves to leave this Place in September next, and had gone now upon these Ships, but for reasons you are well acquainted with, and as it is the Companys order that you succeed him, we can't consent to your going for England till their pleasure be farther known therein, We are

S^r^
Your humble Servants.
THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
HENRY DAVENPORT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT Esq^R^. GOVERN^R^. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

WEDNESDAY 26^TH^.

This day the Principall Merchants of the Town appeared in Consultation to make proposalls for Three hundred Bales of Broad Cloth being all we have to dispose of, reserving what necessary for the Present, the Merchants desired to know what more was coming and that we would allow all Damage that should be found both as to the Ship and moth, and what time we would give for Payment, to which they were answered that if any more Cloth came out upon this years Shiping, and was Landed here they should be obliged to take it as they should now buy this, and for Damage we would allow none, but what sh^d^. appear to be sea Damage, and not anything for Moth eaten, and that as we had present occasion we expected ready money, so after we had satisfyed them in all what before mentioned the Merchants that bought the Cloth last year offered thirty ℔ Cent upon its prime cost, so they bid upon one another till it came to Forty three ℔ Cent, and there it stood, when ordered them all to withdraw, and considering he that offered the 43 ℔ Cent we thought not able to comply with soe considerable a bargain, we unanimously agreed to call in Collaway & Vinkettee Chittees and told them if they would give forty five ℔ Cent, and pay ready money they should have it, to which they agreed, and promised to pay y^e^ money as soon as the Cloth is delivered them.

M^r^. Martin upon filling up and removealls in Counsell it happens to be his turne to be second of this Place, unto which place there has Generally belonged considerable allowances such as Pallankeen boys, Peons &c. Agreed that he has what has been usuall and Customary, and to be allowed Dyet money.

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Governour received a Letter from Mons^{r}. Hebert Gov^{r}. of Pullicherry inclosing therein a Paper of news he had rec^{d}. from Suratt, advising that S^{r} Nicholas Waite was confined by the Council of Bombay, ordered the Paper be sent the Company in the Packet.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Mintmaster pays into Cash Three thousand one hundred sixty two Pag^{s}. 5, being the Amount of Gold received ℔ Ship Litchfeild.

THO. PITT.
W. MARTIN.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
HEN. DAVENPORT. THO. FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.

27. Ship Ann Cap^{t}. Walton Com^{r}. arrived in this road from Bengall.

28. Sloop Dutchess arrived in this Road from y^{e} Southward.

— Ship Tanjeram arrived in this Road from Ganjam.

— Ship Greyhound Cap^{t}. Jones Com^{r}. saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 29TH. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERN^{r}. AND PRESID^{t}.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROB^{t}. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Agreed Fifteen hundred Pagod^{s}. be advanced M^{r}. Rob^{t}. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Doct^{r}. Bulkly this day delivered in a Petition for leave to lay down the Companys Service, alledging the reason thereof, that he is very much indisposed by the Stone, w^{ch} he fears 'twill be very suddainly fatall to him, and recommends M^{r}. Roberson Doct^{r}. of the Mountegue a fitt Person to succeed him in that Employ, his Petition is as Entered after this Consultation.

There offering Bills of Exchange for Fort S^{t}. David for 4000 Pagod^{s}. agreed the same be accepted of, and so much pay'd out of Cash for the same.

THO: FREDERICK. THO: PITT.
GULSTON ADDISON. W. MARTIN.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT
WITH THE WORP^{LL} THE COUNCIL.

Hon^{ble}. S^{rs}.

The fatigue of much business being now grown more uneasy and disagreable to me then formerly, I beg leave to be discharged from my office there being a fitt Person to accept y^{e} same.

S^{r}.
Yo^{r} Hon^{ble} &c^{a}. most hum^{ble}
Serv^{t}.
EDWARD BULKLEY.

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31ST. Sloop Goodhope arrived in this Road from Bengall.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R AND PRESID^T. — FEBRUARY TUESDAY 21^ST.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Addition to the Generall Letter to the Hon^ble Managers now read and approved.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagod^s be advanced M^r. Gulston Addison Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r. Robert Raworth &c^a. pay's into the R^t. Hon^ble Unit'd Companys Cash Twelve hundred Pagodas Account of the Estate of M^r Matthew Empson Deceased.

Agreed Two thousand Pagod^s be pay'd M^r Rob^t. Raworth &c^a. Account of the Present to King Shaw Allum.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r President reads his Acco^t. of the R^t. Hon^ble. United Companys Cash for the month of January last Ballance being Pagod^s. 3681.31.5.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
RICH^D. HUNT. ROB^T. RAWORTH.
HEN: DAVENPORT. THO. FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.

Ship Santustine belonging to the Moors fro Bengall. — 5TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT. — MONDAY 7TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Generall Letter to the Hon^ble Managers dat^d 17 & 30^th January and 7^th February now read, and upon signing the same M^r. Frederick made the exception as Entered after this Consultation.

Here being three Pyrats brought from y^e Mallabar Coast, but no body prosecuting them nor any proof appearing to prove the fact, so to prevent their being any farther Charge to the Company, 'tis agreed that one be sent on the Mountegue and two upon y^e Litchfeild.

Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper doe now deliver in a List of Goods and Stores wanted from England which is approved of, and ordered to be sent in y^e Packet.

This day appeared in Counsell Cap^t. Stoacks, Doct^r. Bulkly and M^r. Robinson, when Cap^t Stoacks declar'd his consent to M^r. Roberson staying here, and Doct^r. Bulkly recommending him as a fit Person was this day Entertain'd as Surgeon of this Garrison.

M^r. Frederick reviveing the business of M^r. Roach by his exception to the Generall Letter, Ensign Dixon was sent for whom M^r. Frederick Quoted to be the Author of what he charged against him, when M^r. Dixon possitively denyed it, and averred that he had say'd nothing of him more then that he knew him in Allsash in

the year 1700. from which time he never had heard from, or saw him, till he met him at Metchlepatam in the year [*Lacuna*] he was also asked by the Governour whether people had not been tampering with him to resent Roaches being put over his head, w^ch^ he readily confest, but unwilling to mention their names.

Rich^d^. Hunt.	Tho: Frederick.	Tho: Pitt.
Hen^ll^. Davenport.	Gulston Addison.	W. Martin.
		Rob^t^. Raworth.

M^r^. Thomas ffrederick's Exception to y^e^ Gen^ll^. Letter.

I cannot be consenting to M^r^. Henry Davenport being taken in Council till the Hon^ble^ Managers advise whether they think their orders concerning him complyed with, nor M^r^. Roach being Lieutenant of this Garrison till they approve thereof.

Thomas Frederick.

8. Ship Anne Cap^t^ Walton Com^r^ sail'd for Callicutt.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday 8th.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Govern^r^ & President.	
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

The Governour last night received a Generall Letter frem S^r^ Nicholas Waite &c^a^. Council at Bombay dated 18^th^ November advising of M^r^. Goodshaw & Cap^t^. Edward Deaths, which place had been very sickly this last season, and that y^e^ Aurengzeb lay ⅔ Loaden for England.

This morning was read in a full Counsell a Lett^r^ to the Hon^ble^ Managers upon the subject of M^r^. Fredericks exception to our Generall Letter, which he refused to signe, saying that he himself wo^d^. write his Masters.

Gulston Addison.	Tho: Pitt.
Rich^d^. Hunt.	W. Martin.
Hen: Davenport.	Rob^t^. Raworth.
	Tho: Frederick.

9. Last night y^e^ Com^rs^ Litchfeild & Mountegue went off & this morning they sail'd.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 10th.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^., Governour & President.	
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

The Governour this morning calling to mind that he had not seen the report from the Sorters relating to what the Company wrott in their Generall Letter about the weight and Punjums of their Cloth, so inquiring after it he found they had wrott a Letter to the Company and sent it to the Secretary to put in the Packet without acquainting him thereof, which Letter is as Entered after this Consultation.

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The Storekeeper acquainting us that all the refind Salt Petre is made up into Gunpowder, ordered y^t^ the Warehousekeeper delivers to the Storekeeper Fifty Candy more to refine for that use.

Nabob Dowed Cawn having wrott a Letter to y^e^ Governour from the Kings Court, desireing one thousand Bottles of Liquor, agreed that we now send him 250. and the Governour sends him two large Mastys that he got out of the Europe Ships.

We having now very little Silver for Sale, M^r^. Wright requested this day seven Chests, which we sold at 16 Dollars for 10 Pagod^s^. to pay in two months, with Interest at 9 ℔ Cent ℔ annum.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper lays before this board the Account of the Cargoe of the three Ships come frô England, and how disposed, as also M^r^. Hunt the old Companys Account with the United.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David having severall times wrott us for writers, agreed that the ffollowing Persons be sent thither. John Era[. . .] Abel Langelier, Joseph Houghton, Nathaniel Tu[rner].

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper send to Fort S^t^. David what Goods, and Stores they write for, and has not yet been sent.

Resolved that the Present be sent away as soon as it is possible to procure conveniency of carriag[e] and in order thereto that the Tents be forthwith carryed out and pitch'd at Egmore.

Agreed that the Mulla and Braminy be allowed forty Pagod^s^. each for their Cloths, that soe they may appear desently before the King.

Tis farther agreed that M^r^. Raworth &c^a^ who has the charge of buying and sending the Present, that they allow the Cooleys for their incouragement 2 Pag^s^ and a half a month each, and ¾ measure of Rice and o[ne] Dooda a day.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
[GULSTON ADDISON].
RICH^D^. Hunt.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

HON^BLE^. S^RS^.

In the Generall Letter to this Place bearing date 7^th^ of April 1708 observe that there are Severall Paragraphs relating to the Sorting of Callicoes, which we having duely considered, and with all ready to obey y^r^. orders to the greatest nicety we can, find ourselves under a necessity humbly to offer the following to you.

It has been our Constant care to the best of our Judgements in our Sorting, to place every peice to their respective Numbers, and conformable to your orders have examined some peices of Cloth, as to their Punj[um] measure and weight, and find that the very worst cloth overweighs the Best, as will evidently appear to you by examining the three peices of cloth now sent, which have the Number of Punjums & weight noted on them, and we humbly offer to your considerations that the Rule and method we now follow Viz^t^ of counting the Punjums of many peices of Longcloth &c^a^ and strictly observing the Texture of them with the Musters will be more for your advantage then guiding ourselves by weight, which we are at a Loss how to reconcile. We respectfully subscribe and are

Hon^ble^ S^rs^,
Yo^r^ most faithfull & obedt.
humble servants

WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 11TH. THOMAS PITT, ESQR. GOVERNR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

We having mett with great trouble to procure carriage for our Present to the King at Gulcondah, and finding next to impossible to effect it from this place, 'tis there[fore] agreed by and with the advice of those that knows these C[oun]trys perfectly well that the Present be immediatly shipt on board the Somers and ordered to Land it at Metchlepatam [on] her way to Bengall being not half soe farr from thence to Gulcondah as it is from this place, and that the Companys Ship President attends her thither to countenance our [people] till they set out on their Journey, and yt the Mulla & Braminy with what servants can't goe by sea, as also the Horses, & two hundred and fifty cooleys goes overland.

Ordered that Mr. Addison assist in buying up, and sending away the Present.

There being in the Companys Stable no horses fitt (except yt the Governour rides) for the Gentlemen to appear within Kings Camp, and there being two Persian Horses to be sold, 'tis agreed we give 250 Pags for one and 350 for the other.

The Warehousekeeper produces the Accot of 3 Ships Cargoes &cs disposed of, as also Mr. Hunt ye Accot between ye old & United Company.

Ordered all the Iron be Landed from the Somers.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.
[HEN: DA]VENPORT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTURDAY 12TH. THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day Ship Stretham Capt. Gough Comr. arrived in this road from Ballasore, where he meeting with the Council of Bengall their order for all Ships bound hither to immediately sail thence for this Port without any farther order from them, which accordingly he did, and now brought a Shore the Companys Packet, which was open'd and found to contain only Triplicates of wt. already received except her Invoice.

We taking into consideration how to dispose of this Ship, and having Bales in the Warehouse with what we expect from Fort St. David which will be sufficient for her Loading; Tis resolved that we dispatch her with all expedition forthwith for England, when the Captain was sent for and acquainted with this our resolution.

THO. PITT.
RICHD. HUNT. W. MARTIN.
HEN. DAVENPORT. ROBT. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
GULSTON ADDISON.

12. Ketch Hope arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam.
13. Ship St. Maria arrived here from Macow.
4. Ship Morning Starr Capt. Weld Comr. arrived from Fort St. David.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

MONDAY 14TH.

Captain Gough acquainting the Governour that [he] had a Paper to deliver in Consultation, which occasioned his summoning the Council this morning, w^{ch} Paper we read and is as Entered after this Consultation purport thereof representing the impossability of his speedy Lading for England without runing very emminant danger of the Companys Estate and the lives of his men, and the reasons for the same being so co[gent] and plain that we can't but agree to the reversing our order of Satturday last, and therefore 'tis now resolved that the Treasure that came on her be immediatly put into the Mint, and that so soon as it is coined into Rupees, that she returnes to Bengall with the same and the Lead that is on her, so sent for Cap^{t}. Gough and acquainted him with this our resolution.

The Warehousekeeper reports that M^{r}. Wright had proposed severall people security for seven Chests of silver sold him the 10th Instant, to which 't was answer'd that since he had not present occasion for it, the silver itself would be the best security, which may lye in the Godown till occasion for the same, or that he pay'd the money with the Interest agreed.

THO. PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna.*]
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
HEN. DEVENPORT.

TO THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR AND THE REST OF THE COUNCIL.

Hon^{ble}.

It having pleased you on Satturday to Notifie unto me to prepare for the Taking in my Loading in order to depart hence for Europe in all y^{e}. month, I think it my Duty humbly to represent unto you my present condition after so long a passage from England, that you may the more clearly judge of the capacity I am in to comply with your intentions and orders which I shall always cheerfully and with utmost dilligence execute according to my utmost abillity.

I saild from England the 26th May and from [y^{e} . Cape] the 8th September and in persuance of the Hon^{ble} : Comp^{s} orders I made the best of my way for Bengall where I arrived not till the 15th January, and on the 17th Ditto on the returne of my Boat from Ballasore I received an order from the Hon^{ble} the Council of Fort William at Callicutta dated 2^{d} November requiring me to proceed directly hither. Now I had buryed fourteen of my men of the Survey before I arrived there and brought in forty more laid up in their hammock and 4 Dyed after I got there, buryed some of them notwithstanding the refreshment I had got, soe that until the 26th January I durst not sail thence without manifest hazard of burying so many more as would have altogether rendred the Ship disabled & defenc[eless] which I had the more regard to because of the notice w[hich I] had of the French Ship S^{t} Louis, and having been 16 days on my passage hither, my men are in so weak a condi[tion] that there remains an absolute necessity of putting th[em] ashore to recover them, so that if it were possible for me to Load and unload in the time you require ; yet I pray your Hon^{r} to consider in how weak a condition I shall be to beat for the Cape and in case I should not be able to get about, in how defenceless a condition I must bear up for Maurotius which Island the Dutch have lately quitted,

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and where I have so great apprehensions of meeting the French, it being confidently reported that the King of France has given the India Trade to the Merchants of Lyons and S^t. Malloes, where we may expect Privateers peeping into all these Parts.

I hope you will pardon my representing this matter to you being prest with apprehensions of the danger the Ship and Cargoe will be exposed to from y^e weak condition of my men, which I have been reduced to by unavoidable necessity not being able to get any refreshments in all that long and tedious passage from the Cape to Bengall to which Port I was the second Ship that arrived.

Now as I very well know that your Hon doe always the Interest and safety of the Hon^ble Companys Estate, so it remains that I ought chearfully and dilligently to observe and execute your orders, and remain perfectly easy and satisfyed therewith which I assure you I will as becomes.

Fort S^t. George
14 ^th February 170⅞

Yo^r very humble servant
Harry Gough.

14 Sloop S^t. Gulium sail'd for Bengall Sen^r S^t: Laurance Mast^r.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 17^th.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r. Govern^r. and President.	
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

This day was summoned to appear in Counsell M^r. Lewis and M^r. Berlu, Augapera, Sarapau, Narrain, the Mulla and Braminy, when the Governour produced the ffollowing Petition and Letters which were all now read and approved and are as Entered after this Consultation.

Petition to King Shaw Allum.

Letter to Cawn Bahawder.

Letter to Cawn Caunaun.

Agreed this day the wages and Batty of the servants that attend M^r. Lewis and M^r. Berlu with the Present to the King, which is as Entered after this Consultation and that the Mulla be allowed Batty six Rupees ℔ day and the Braminy four, which we were obliged to do in consideration of the prodigeous scarcity of Provissions on the Road, and in the Camp.

Tho. Pitt.
Rich^d. Hunt. W. Martin.
Hen. Davenport. Rob^t. Raworth.
[*Lacuna*]
Gulston Addison.

The Humble Petition of the Governour of Chinapatam to the Great King Sha Allum.

Whereas Your Majesty has Blessed us with your Royall Phirmand and Husbulhookums, and inestimable Honour of your Royall Vest, which we think our Duty to acknowledge by all ways and means we are capable of, and therefore have presumed to send M^r. Lewis and M^r. Berlue, not only to returne our humble Duty

and thanks but alsoe to congratulate the great & good success of Your Majestys victorious Arms, which God for ever continue; and to lay at your Royall Feet, the Humble offering of our gratefull hearts, imploring the continuance of your Majestys blessings, by extending to us your gracious protection and incouragement in the management of our Affairs, which we humbly beg may be confirmed to us by your Royall Phirman with such additions as your Majesty in your great wisdom and bounty shall think meet, and we shall alwayes pray for your Majestys Long and happy Reigne.

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To HIS HIGHNESS CAWN CAUNAUN
GRAND VISIER.

We noe sooner received the Honour of the Great King Sha Alums Commands but we strictly execut'd the same, with that readyness and fidelity as becomes his faithful servants, our Duty as well as inclination prompting us to it, and so likewise to rejoyce at the glorious success of the powerfull Arms of the Great King Sha Alum, who can never fail of being victorious whilst the Army of Heaven joyns with his upon earth; which we alwayes wish. We had sooner made our acknowledgements for the inestimable honours we have received (by your Highnesses means) of his Majestys Royall Husbulhookums and Vest of Honour but that we have been prevented by the troubles on the Roads, and the impossibillity of procureing a conveyance to the Royal City of Gulcondah, for which reason our people as soon as the Monsoone served went to Metchlepatam beleiving that to be the safest & shortest way, from whence I hope Mr. Lewis and Mr. Berlue will arrive safe to your presence, and lay this at your Feet, to whom we implore your highnesses countenance protection and assistance, or we are sure all our endeavours will be fruitless, but the assurance we have of yor. Highnesses great worth, wisdom, mercy, Justice, and [as] Protector of strangers gives us hopes of success in obtaining the Royall Phirmaund to confirme our ancient Priviledges with such additions as his Majesty in his great Wisdome and bounty shall think meet, and yor. Highnesses innate goodness bestow upon us, for which end we have sent the two Gentlemen before mentioned with our Petition to the great King, and our humble offering, and to act therein as your Highness shall command 'em hoping by your Highnesses favour they may speedily returne to us againe with the acknowledgements of yor. blessings which we shall Record in our hearts, and for ever our Nation have a grateful remembrance of the same.

17TH FEBRUARY 170$\frac{8}{9}$. THOMAS PITT.

To HIS HIGHNESS CAWN BAHAUDER.

We being throughly sensible of our unexpressible obligation to the great King Sha Alum for the many Honours he has done our Nation by Directing his Phirmaunds and Husbulhookums to us, and with it the inestimable favour of a Royall Vest, which we well know we had never obtain'd but by your Highnesses Friendship, of which we have had large experience and humbly beg that you would continue it to us; and in hopes thereof we have sent Mr. Lewis and Mr. Berlu with our humble offering, and a Petition to his Majesty, not only to congratuate ye. good success of his Victorious Arms, which God continue, but to implore his future Protection of us, and to bless us with his Royall Phirmaund to confirme our Ancient Priviledges with such additions as his Majesty in his great wisdome and bounty shall think meet, and your highness out of your wonted goodness shall advise the King to bestow upon us; The two before mentioned Gentlemen we recommend to your Highnesses favour and Protection, hoping thereby they may meet with a speedy dispatch of our affairs, and returne with the Kings blessing, and full of acknowledgements of your Highnesses Beneficence to us, and we shall alwayes pray that you may be ever blessed with the great King Sha Allums favour health and prosperity.

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Acco^{r}. of the hyre of Peons, Coolys &c.

600	Cooleys out of w^{ch}. 200 here at 3½ pa. each	P 700
50	Peons out of w^{ch}. 30 here at 1½	45
2	Smiths	6½
2	Carpenters	6½
10	Horsekeepers	25
10	Grass cutters	25
3	Conicoplys	10½
1	Muchee	3
2	Coblers	6
10	Servants for M^{r}. Lewis & M^{r}. Berlu	25
6	Ditto for the Mulla and Paupia	15
1	Ditto for M^{r}. Way	2½
2	Ditto for the Doctor	5
10	Frosses	30
1	Servant Clock maker	2½
2	Sakers	6
4	Cookes	12
1	Compradore	3
1	Butler	3
4	Parriars	10
4	Packers	10
1	Flagman	2½
1	Barber	2½
2	Armorers	6½
10	Dutys.	
3	Washermen	7½
4	Oxen men or Puckalls	12

17 A Danes Sloop sailed for Bengall.

19 A Ship S^{ta}. Maria Coja Awannees Noquedah arrived in this Road from Porto Novo.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 19th. [Saturday]

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Governour & President.
William Martin. Thomas Frederick.
Robert Raworth. Richard Hunt.
Gulston Addison. Henry Davenport.

The severall Persons summoned last Consultation day, were again this day before us, when the Govern^{r} produced the following Letters which were all now read and approved, and are as Entered after this Consultation Viz^{t}.

To Zulphaker Cawn } to be delivered or otherwise.
To Cawn Caunaun }
To Prince Mausadeein
To Nabob Dowed Cawn
To the Duan
To Zoodee Cawn
To Nabob Abdull Labby
To Mulla Moraad
To Cawn Quohee

The two first Letters to Zulpahker Cawn and Cawn Caunaun to be delivered to either of them as they should see occasion or detain'd, and the same as to y^{e} two Letters read last Consultation day to those two Omrahs.

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The Governour acquainted us this day that there was various reports in Town about the Kings being at Gulcondah some saying he was gone, others that he would stay but few days after their last advices, and some saying that he would continue four or five months to settle the affairs of that Kingdome and Vizapore, but what likelyest to be true is that he is gone thence to secure his great Kingdome of Indostan from the advices we have that the Rashpoots are all up in Armes in those parts, 'tis therefore resolved that we forbear dispatching the Persons with the Present till we have an answere to our last Letters from Zoode Cawn, for should we send them to Metchlepatam, where if they should hear the King was gone from Gulcondah, or upon the Road they would oblige them to proceed after him, and not permitt them to returne which would be an incredible fatigue as well as a prodigeous expence, to prevent which has induced us to make the foregoing resolve.

Ordered that 84 Chests of Rupees be immediately ship't on the Somers, and to be forthwith dispatch'd to Bengall, when if there be occasion shall ship the Present on the Stretham to put it ashore at Metchlepatam in her way to Bengall.

RICH^{D}. HUNT. THO: PITT.
HEN: DAVENPORT. W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*]
GULSTON ADDISON.

TO THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GREAT AND
Mighty Prince Muzzoodeen.

Your Royall Virtues resembling those of Heaven, spread over the face of the whole earth by which means we have been blessed thereby, which induces us to send this our Dutifull Address and humble thanks, and implore the continuance of it, by extending your Royall Blessings and protection to M^{r} [Lewis and] M^{r}. Berlue, who we send to congratulate the great success of his Majestys Victorious arms, and to supplicate his blessings to us in the management of our affairs which in conjunction with that of your Royall Highness (which we wish we may be so fortunate to obtain) and as we have never been hitherto wanting in duty and fidelity to the great King, so for the future we shall embrace all occasions to give instances of our gratitude for his blessings, to your Royall Highness for procureing the same.

A Letter to each of the other Three Princes of the same contents.

TO HIS HIGHNESS CAWN CAUNAUN.

May your Highness always be blest with the favour of your great King, when from your great Character of Wisdome and Justice we hope to share therein, in bestowing your favour and countenance on the bearers hereof M^{r} Lewis and M^{r} Berlue who are come to congratulate the success of his Majestys Victorious Arms, and to implore his blessing, for the future well management of our affairs which we hope to obtain by your Highnesses good will towards us, and we shall ever pray for your health and prosperity.

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TO HIS HIGHNESS CAWN BAHAWDER.

As we retain gratefull hearts for your Highness past favours to us, so we hope y^{u} will not forget the faithfull services of your old serv^{ts} being on all occasions ready to reitterate the same; we have sent M^{r} Lewis and M^{r}. Berlue to congratulate the great success of his Majestys Victorious arms, whom we recommend to your Highnesses favour and Protection, hoping thereby to obtain the Kings blessing to us, in [your] incouraging us in our Trade, which we shall ever esteem as a mark of your Highnesses favour and shall alwayes pray for your health and prosperity.

17TH FEBRUARY 170$\frac{8}{9}$. THOMAS PITT.

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To His Excell^{y} Doud Cawn.

As we have had large experience of yo^{r} Excellencys favour and protection to us, so hope we cannot doubt of the continuance of it, and in particular M[r.] Lewis and M^{r} Berlue whom we recommend to you, wh[om] we have sent to the Royall Camp to congratulate the success of his Majestys Victorious Arms, in which you have had soe great a share to your Eternall Honour and renowne, and to implore his Blessing and Protection [for] our affairs, which we hope by your assistance to obtain and that you'l returne again to this your old Government to see us flourish in our Trade, who have been so much cherish'd and refreshed by your favour and countenance and our prayers shall alwayes be that you may enjoy the great Kings favour, health and prosperity.

17th February 170$\frac{8}{9}$

To his Excell^{y} Zoode Cawn
Lord High Steward of
King Shaw Allums Household.

We wrott your Excellency few days past, when acquainted you with the unexpressible trouble we had mett with about getting conveniency of carriage for our Present, and at last forced to goe to Metchlepatam, where we hope we shall meet with the Hon^{r}. of your Commands with a Gusbardar and Dustick that soe our people may come to you without Molestation. This letter will be delivered your Excellency by M^{r}. Lewis and M^{r}. Berlue, whom we earnestly recommend to your favour and protection, & have strictly enjoyn'd 'em to depend wholy on your advice and commands, being well assured from the experience we have had of your great friendship, that you will give it 'em sincerely and cordially, and we hope we shall share in the Kings blessing, suitable to our duty and fidelity, and the great services we doe his Countrey by inriching the same. We know noe body can illustrate the advantage we bring to y^{e} King's Country like your Excellency, therefore intirely relye on your Friendship therein; our former Letters to you import our request which is a confirmation of our Ancient Priviledges throughout his Majesties Dominions with such addition of his blessings as in his great wisdome he shall think meet, and the redress of some grievances which have very much prejudiced and almost ruin'd our Trade, of w^{ch}. the two aforesaid Gentemen are fully Instructed to acquaint your Excellency therewith.

We are very sensible of the different Interests in soe great and glorious a Court as King Shaw Allum is, and the necessary caution to be used for fear of disobligeing any one therein, and therefore have strictly enjoy[n]'d 'em, not to make any one application without your advice and direct orders, and then can't [dream] of success suitable to your great wisdome & Freindship and our expectation, and nothing can more augment the blessing of this undertaking, then an expeditious dispatch of our business, and a speedy returne of these Gentlemen to us.

The obligations in Generall our Nation have [to] your Excellency can never be fully acknowledged but yet you may be assured it will be so farr, and they will not be lyable to the reproach of being ungratefull, and for my obligations in particular for your inestimable Freindship, I can ne[ver suf]ficiently, value, thô have often rack'd my [brains] how to make my due acknowledgements [of the pre]sent, can procure nothing but what [fraction] thereof, therefore as a tribute for wh[ich I send] you by these Gentlemen two Pic[tures which I] should have parted with to none but your Excellencys two Guns, and two peices of Fine Scarlet Cloth; of which I humbly beg your acceptance, and as I find anything better worth, shall not fail to lay it at your feet. We againe do most earnestly recomend M^{r}. Lewis and M^{r}. Berlue to your Excellencys protection and guidance in this affair, who will show you the Copy of our Petition to the Great King and to the Viziers &c^{a} who we have directed to deliver or detain 'em, as you shall advise, soe God grant you may alwayes enjoy the Kings favour, by w^{ch}. means we hope to be successfull in this our undertaking, and will alwayes pray for your health and prosperity.

17th February 170$\frac{8}{9}$ Thomas Pitt.

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To his Excell[y] Nabob Abdull L[a]bby Cawn.

We not knowing but this may find your Excellency at the Royall Camp, whither we are now send M[r]. Lewis and M[r]. Berlue to congratulate the great success of his Majestys Victorious Arms, to w[ch] we hear your Excellency has not a little contribut'd which we rejoyce at, as having alwayes an invaluable esteem and Honour for you, which has induced us to recommend the two aforesaid Gentlemen to your favour and protection, not doubting but you'l grant it as readily as we desire it of you, which we shall ranck amongst your innumerable kindnesses to us, and always pray for your health and prosperity.

To The Duan.

We hope the News in these parts is true, that your Honour is much in the Kings favour, w[ch] God continue; and that you are returning to your old Government in this Country, which we heartily congratulate, and as we are your old acquaintance [and] servants we recommend to your Hon[rs] favour, [and] protection M[r]. Lewis and M[r]. Berlue who we se[nd] to congratulate the glorious success of the Ki[ngs] Victorious arms, and to implore his blessing in our affairs, which we hope we shall have your countenance and assistance to obtaine, who will oblige us alwayes to pray for your health and prosperity.

To the great Conguy.

February 18[th] 170$\frac{8}{9}$.

Tho' we have the misfortune to be unacquainted with your Person, we have the Honour to be informed of your great Character and worth, and that you are famous throughout the Nations of these parts of the world for your great Justice and kindness to strangers, so can't doubt but we shall be soe happy as to share therein by your bestowing your fa[vour] and protection to M[r]. Lewis and M[r]. Berlue, wh[o] we have sent to admire the Wisdome power [and] Glory of the great King Shaw Allum and to implore his blessings to us, which we hope to obtain by your countenance and assistance, and we shall retaliate the same by heartily praying for your health and prosperity.

To Mahmud Moraud.

February 18[th] 170$\frac{8}{9}$.

I hope this will find you safe arrived at Gulcondah, and all with you.

We have had unexpressible trouble to procure conveniency of carriage for our Present, to compleat w[ch] we are forced to goe to Metchlepatam, from whence by the assistance of our Noble friend Zoodee Cawn, we hope our people will arrive safe at the Royall Camp.

M[r]. Lewis and M[r]. Berlue comes with our Present whom I recommend to your favour and protection as you are our old Freind, and beg that you would use your Interest to procure a quick dispatch of our business, which is the Life of such undertakings.

Pray remember me to my good freind Hodjee Mahom[d] and you may be assured I wish you both all health and prosperity.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Governour & President. — Tuesday 22[d].
William Martin. — Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. — Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt. — Henry Davenport.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper M[r]. Martin and M[r]. ffrederick in the presence of the Comand[r] and Purser of Ship Stretham do view the Broadcloth come on her to see what Damages and report the same to y[e] Board.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1708–09*———

Ordered the Warehousekeeper put ffour hundred peices of Fine Moorees to Painting, persuant to the Comp[s] orders in their last Generall Letter.

Ordered that three Bales of Boardcloth be sent to ffort S[t] David on the Yatch with 3 Chests of Clarret, one Chest of Renish and to fill up with Packing stuff.

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco[t] for the month of January last, and pay's into Cash the sum of one hundred sixty eight Pagod[s] 6 : 40 for Custom on Gold coined, and farther pay's to the Warehousekeeper RUPS. AN. 4450. 2. for Custom on Silver coind, and is the Ballance of that months Account.

The Warehousekeepers Acco[ts] for the months of Decemb[r] and January now read. And pay into the R[t] Hon[ble] United Companys Cash Twenty four thousand Pag[s]. on Account Silver sold.

Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of January last Ballance due to him being Pagod[s]. which is now agreed to be pay'd.

Lieutenant Minos who came here on the Mountegue and bound for Bengall requesting the Loan of Twenty Pagod[s]. to defray some Charges he has been at, ordered the Paymaster advances him the said sum and take his Receipt to repay it to the Council in Bengall, who we shall advise thereof in the Letter now read.

Generall Letter to the Gentlemen of Council in Bengall dated yesterday now read & approved.

Ordered that Mateus Mateum Topaz be Entertained Souldier and Jacob Hugor of the Gun[rs] Crew in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH[D]. HUNT.
HEN : DAVENPORT.

26 Ship S[t] Louis Coja Awannees Noquedah arrived in this Road from Tenassaree.
— Ship Bomrepau Abdull Cauder Noquedah arrived from Beng[ll].
— Ship Illahee Salamud, Auga Jaffar arrived from Bengall.
— Ship Nos Seniara de Rosara arrived in this Road from Da [. . .].
27 Ship Ganjam Galley arrived in this road from Vizagapatam.
MARCH PMO. Ship Somers Cap[t] Eustace Peacock Comand[r] sail'd out of this road for Bengall.
4 Ship Raujahee Mahomud Jaffar arrived from Tenasse[ree].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 4TH. THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNO[R] & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Thomas Pitt Esq[r] President reads his account of the R[t] Hon[ble] United Companys Cash for the month of February Ballance being Pagod[s]. [*Lacuna*].

Agreed that The Paymaster M[r] Gulston Addison be advanced Two thousand Pagod[s]. to defray the Charges Garrison.

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Kisna &c[a] Measurers pay's into Cash Two hundred Pag[s] for one years Rent of the measuring Duty ending [*Lacuna*].

M[r] Richard Hunt Late Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of January last, and pays into Cash Twelve hundred Pogad[s]. Account Stores sold.

Ordered that the Warehousekeep[r] delivers to the Mintmast[r] 26 Chests of Treasure to be coined into Rupees for Bengall.

Two Generall Letters from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam now read.

Agreed to take a Bill of Exchange for one thousand P[agod[s]] Payable to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David, and that the said sum be pay'd out of Cash here.

Agreed that Mess[rs] Davenport and Harrison are sorters of the Companys Callicoes.

Cotten being very dear occasioned by the dry season which makes the Merchants of this place very unwilling to undertake the Companys Contracts, which we must by some means or other effect in order to secure sufficient Cargoes for the Kent and Somers to be Dispatch'd in September next; Tis therefore agreed we write to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David to persuade their Merchants to double the last Contract of Forty thousand Pagodas, and returne their speedy answere.

The Lease of the Arrac Farme expiring the 15[th] of y[e] month Peter de Pomar that Rents it was ordered to attend, which accordingly he did, but refused to renew his Lease, unless we would abate him four hundred Pagodas ℔ Annum, to which he was answered that the Mallabarrs offered more, and he that would give most should have it, of which he was desired to consider and give his possitive answere next Consultation day.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH[D]. HUNT.
GULSTON ADDISON.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

Ship Manganatta Rajahee Mahomud Noquedah from Tenasseree. 5

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERN[R] & PRESIDENT, — MONDAY 7[TH]
WILLIAM MARTIN. — ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. — GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. — HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day was read a Letter from the Governour and Council of Negapatam complaining of Injustice done their Factory at Fort S[t]. David in stopping so[me] Rice and Paddy which Letter and our answere a[re] Entered in the Copy Book N[o] [*Lacuna*] and our Letter [to] ffort S[t] David about that matter N[o]. [*Lacuna*] ordering them to Act according to Custom.

RICH[D]. HUNT. — THO: PITT.
HEN. DAVENPORT. — W. MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.

Ship Madrass Merchant arrived in this Road fro̅ Bengall. 7

Ship Rammaun Bux arrived from Maumgapat[am]. 9

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 10TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of February last, and pays into Cash ye sum of One hundred forty two Pagods 31fa for Custom on Gold coined, and farther pays to the Warehousekeepr 520 : 14ans. for Custom on Silver coined.

The Following Generall Letters now read Vizt.

ffrom the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David datd. [*Lacuna*].

Letter from the Primere Minister in Syam.

From Mr Noden at Metchlepatam dated 28th past moth advising of his having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for 116. 14 which is agreed now to be payd.

Agreed that we accept of a Bill of Exchange for 350 Pagods. payable to the Deputy Governr & Council of Fort St. David.

This day was read a Letter from the Deputy Govr and Council of Fort St. David dated [*Lacuna*] relating to their dispute with the Dutch at Negapatm. who sent [wth it] the Governour of Negapatam Letter to them, Translate of which is Entered in ye. Letter Booke No [*Lacuna*] and their Letter to us No [*Lacuna*] which dispute appear to be for Custom on 39 baggs of Rice and 19 [of] Paddy, which could not amount to above Eighteen fanams, in our answere to which matter is as Entered in the Letter booke No [*Lacuna*].

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St David complaining in all their Letters of this place wanting Grain, 'tis agreed by reason the [wind] is Northerly that we forthwith send the Ship President thither with what Paddy she can take in and on her Five thousand Pagods. to carry on the Investment, and that eight Europe Centinalls [be] sent upon her to remain there.

We hearing that the Council of Bengall desig[ned] some of the Europe Ships with stores for this place and beleiving the Southerly winds will oblige them to fall into the Southward ; 'tis agreed that we write an order to be Lodged with the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, directly to the Comanders to deliver whatever stores and provisions they shall have occasion for.

Rice being cheap at Vizagapatam, & consequently Cotton, 'tis agreed that we send [*Lacuna*] Candy coppar which lyes in the Godown part of ye Kents Cargoe, and will not sell here, and with it Three thousand Pagods. with Directions to Invest it in Longcloth, Sallampores, and Strip'd Bettee[laes] such as the Company directs, and ordered that the Warehousekeeper ships the aforesaid Treasure and Goods with 15 dozen of Florance and [. . .] hoggs of arrack on the Ganjam Gally.

This morning Peter de Pomar the Arrac Farmer was again before us who was firm to his former resolution that he would not continue the Arrack ffarm without we abated Four hundred Pagodas ℔ Annum so called in some Mallabarrs who's names are as Followes Vizt.

CHAWOOROO GRUAPA.
VINKETADREE PILLA.
VERAGOE MUDALA. CORRUNNA MOORTENA.
RAMANA GRUMOORTEE. PAREA VERAPA.
NARDAPOONDE GRUAPA. SURAPAU.
MUSSEILEE TONNAPA. YERREPA.
INEGARRAPA. NINA PILLA.

and were the Originall Distillers of Arrack, who agreed to advance Two hundred Pagods. and to take it at Three thousand eight hundred Pagods ℔ annum for ten

years, and to pay the Rent monthly which if they don't comply with in Ten days after the expiration of the month, that then they are to forfite their Lease and one thousand Pag^{s} to y^{e} Comp^{a}.

Ordered that Francisco de Sosa Topaz Entertain'd a sould^{r}.

Rich^{D}. Hunt.	Tho: Pitt.
Hen: Davenport.	W. Martin.
	Rob^{t}. Raworth.
	Tho: Frederick.
	Gulston Addison.

Ship Eugene Cap^{t}. Barrow Com^{r}. arrived from Bengall. 11.
Ship Mary M^{r}. Fleetwood Supra Cargoe arriv'd from Ditto. 12.
Ship President Cap^{t}. Hopkins Com^{r}. saild for Fort S^{t}. David. ...
Ship Francis arrived in this road from Pegue. 13.
Ship Sweapsteaks Cap^{t}. Heñing arrived from Bengall. 14.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. Governour and President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt. Henry Davenport.

Monday 14TH.

We being informed by M^{r}. Cranwell who lately came hither for his health, that there are a sett Merch^{ts} Consam Lingana &c.^{a} at Vizagapatam who offer to undertake the Company's business, and bring in such Goods as they shall Direct before they receive any money. Tis therefore agreed that we write to the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam by the Ship now going that if the aforesaid Merchants will agree for a Contract of Twenty thousand Pagod^{s}. to be finish'd by August next in Ordinary Longcloth, Sallampores and strip'd Betteelaes that then they agree the same, and goe on with the money and the Amount of the Coppar now sent, and upon their advices we'l send them the remainder in Pagodas that soe they may not fail of paying for the Cloth as it comes in.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 10 Instant now read.

Generall Letter from M^{r}. Robert Stoacks at Pegue dated 26th January now read.

M^{r}. Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of February last Viz^{t}.

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	Pag^{s}.	188	26 45
Town Broakers	...	...	...		5	27 54
Ruby Broakers	...	...	...		6	24 78
Registring Slaves	...	...	...		...	16 ...
				Pa	201	23 17

Henry Davenport Storekeeper reads his storekeep^{rs} Account for the month of February last.

Tho. Pitt.
W. Martin.
Rob^{t}. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.
Gulston Addison.
Rich^{D}. Hunt.
Hen. Davenport.

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11th. Ship Eugene Capt. Barrow Comandr. arrived in this Road from Bengall.
15. Ship Ganjam Galley belonging to Mr. Hastings arrived from Vizagapatam.
16. Sloop Rebecca arrived in this Road from Bengall.
17. Ship Maddapollam arrived here from Pegue.
18. Ship Hassare Salamut arrived from Tenassere.

At a Consultation

Present

Satturday 19th. Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr. and President.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt. Henry Davenport.

The Southerly winds being isett in and the Currant runing strong to the Northward, and no probability of a slatch to carry the President to Fort St. David, Agreed that an order be sent to the Comander to returne again into this Road he having got but a little farther then Covelong: Ordered that so soon as she arrives she be got ready for to go to Bencoolen, and on her to Load what stores they writt for, and has not been sent them from Bengall on the Northumberland.

The Gentlemen of Council in Bengall advises us that they shall dispatch one of their Europe Ships hither with stores &ca we sent for, Agreed that we dispatch Ship Stretham thither the middle of next week with what Rupees can be got ready by that time, and the remainder of the Rupees to be sent down upon such Ship of the Companys that shall come hither.

Provissions being much cheaper in Bengall then here, and that there can be as much bought for a Rupee as here for a Pagoda, and finding it absolutely necessary for the security of this place, that we yearly salt up Provissions for the Garrison, Tis agreed that we write to the Council of Bengall to order their Steward, or such other Person they think proper to putt up a fatting thirty young Oxen and three hundred Barrow Hoggs the begining of September, to be kild the begining of December, that great care be taken in packing and salting of it, and to be sent up with all expedition on ye Companys Shiping, and this to be a standing Rule for every year.

Peter de Pomar Arrack Farmer pays into the Rt Honble United Companys Cash Thirteen hundred Pagods. and acquaint us he had seven hundred Pags. more in Doodas, for which they Generally sell the Arrack, Tis agreed that the same be received into Cash, and lodged with the Warehousekeeper for to be disposed of 10 to the Paymastr. as he shall have occasion.

Ponagetta Narso &ca Tobacco and Beetle farmer pays into Cash Pags. 583 : 12 : on that Account.

Mr. Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper pays into Cash the sum of seven thousand Pagods. on Account Silver sold.

Order'd that the Steward buys up some salt Provissions lately come from Vizagapatam.

Agreed that One thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Gulston Addison Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Richd. Hunt. Tho. Pitt.
W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.
Gulston Addison.

21. Ship Queen arrived here from Vizagapatam.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Govern^r^. & President.		Thursday 24^th^.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.	
Thomas Frederick.	Gulston Addison.	
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.	

M^r^. William Martin Late Sea Customer pay's into Cash One Thousand Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^. Sea Customs.

Agreed that in persuant to the Companys orders we send to Bengall on Ship Stretham Three hundred Bales of Callicoes, 200. of Longcloth and 100. Sallampores, and ordered the Warehousekeeper Ships off the same.

Ordered that the Following Goods and Stores be sent on Ship President to the West Coast, with 500 bags of Salt Petre or what more she can take in, observing the Companys orders in bagging of it ; and whereas they have wrott us for some Laskars, agreed that we ship 10. or 15 Supernumery to remain there.

Long cloth ordinary	Bales	70	
Salt Petre	Bags	500	
Kissmasses	Chest	1	
Reisons		1	
Rosewater		1	
Almonds		2	baggs.

Cordage 8 coile.
2 Hausers.
12 pair Moors Slippers.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer reads his sea Custom Account for the month of February last.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month.	4292·	22·	14
Custom on Grain	2629·	34·	16
Anchorage	75·	18·	...
	6[9]98·	2·	30

M^r^. Richard Hunt reads the Journall Parcell of Acco^ts^ for the months' of Decem^r^. & January.

Cassia Lingapa, a Vizagapatam Merchant, discoursed this day with us about an Investment there, who promissed to returne answere thereto next Consultation day.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper unloads all the Salt Petre now come on severall Vessells from Bengall.

Ordered that Francisco Monteno Topaz be Entertain'd Souldier in this Garrison.

Gulston Addison.	Tho: Pitt.
Rich^d^. Hunt.	W. Martin.
	Rob^t^. Raworth.
	Tho: Frederick.

26. Sloop S^t^ John Baptist arrived here from Bengall.

29. Ship Hopewell arrived from Bengall.

— Ship Illahee saild for Bengall.

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AT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 30TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT Esq^R. GOVERN^R & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

M^r. Suply Surgeon at Fort S^t. David having requested to lay down the Service, as not having [his health] 'tis agreed that M^r. Mourton be Entertained in his Roome, who is Surgeons mate of this Garrison.

Agreed that Ten thousand Pagod.^s be sent to Fort S^t. David by Peons overland, and to accompany M^r. Mourton thither.

There having been great complaints formerly for the want of Bricks, by reason it was y^e practice of this place that the paymaster has had the sole making of them, but some people desireing they may have the liberty making their own bricks which being a request soe reasonable and common that the Governour gave leave for it some years past, which leave they having notoriously abused by lessening the brick a quarter part, and not making them half so good, besides obliging the buyer to pay the carriage, which before they did not, which is so great a prejudice to the Publick that it is agreed this day in Consultation that none shall presume to make any bricks within our presincks, but the Paymaster who is obliged to furnish all the Inhabitants as formerly, keeping up to the Ancient size, and to deliver them without charge of carriage to the English only.

M^r. Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper pay's into Cash the sum of Twenty one thousand Pag.^s Account Silver sold.

Agreed that Simon Kilpatrick and Lewis Malick have the Wine Licence for five years at Two hundred Pagod.^s ℔ annum to comence from the 25^th Instant.

Ordered that the Gunner, Chief Carpenter and Bricklayer do put a value on the Arrack house.

The following Letters received were now read.

ffrom the Deputy Gov.^r and Council of Fort S^t. David 23^d Inst.

From the Chief and Council of Vizagapat.^m 25^th Feb.^ry

ffrom Bengall the 22^d February $170\frac{8}{9}$.

Cassia Lingana was this day again before us, about making an Investment at Vizagapatam but came to noe conclusion.

Agreed that Fifteen hundred Pagod^s. be advanced M^r. Gulston Addison Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D. HUNT.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

APRIL 2. Ship Stretham Cap^t Gough saild for Bengall.
– Ship Morning Star saild for Ditto.
8 Ship Resolution saild for Pegue.
– Ship ffrancis saild for Ditto.
– Ship Eugene saild for Bengall.
– Ship Chindadree arrived from Pegue.
– Ship Moosahee arrived from Pegue.
– Ship Pegu Rassan arrived from Tenasserre.

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Sloop Pata Mooraad arrived from Tenasserre. [3]
Sloop Guerdamane arrived from Negapatam. –
Ship Shering Marry arrived from Pegue. –
Ship S[t]. Pedro arrived from Pegue. –
Ship Ielatmy arrived from Ditto. –
Ship Good Fortune arrived from Pegue. 4
Ship Donna Latchmy from Ditto. –
Sloop Rebecca saild for Bengall. 5
Ship Ramaswarme arrived from Pegue. 6
Sloop Yerdamone saild for Negapatam. 7
Danes Sloop arrived from Trincombar. 8
Ship S[ta] Maria arrived from Ganjam. 9
Ship Hopewell saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERN[R]. AND PRESID[T] — TUESDAY 12[TH].
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Thomas Pitt Esq[r] President reads his Account of the R[t] Hon[ble] United Companys Cash for the month of March last Ballance being Pagod[s]. [*Lacuna*]

Thomas Pitt Esq[r] Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco[t]. for the month of March last, and pays into Cash the sum of nineteen Pagod[s]. 13[fas] for Custom on Gold coin'd, and farther pay's to the Warehousekeeper 765 Rup[s] 12[ans] for Custom on Silver coined.

The Companys Ship President being bound to the West Coast, and here having been some overtures made by Letters from Atcheen to Invite us to resettle the Trade, the Loss of which is a great prejudice to the Custom of this Port, and in time will tend to the lessening the coine of this Place, Tis therefore agreed that she calls in her way thither and puts M[r]. Dilton a shore, if he likes his reception otherwayes 'tis agreed that he proceeds upon her to the West Coast, and not to stay in Atcheen road above three days; Tis also left to the discretion of the Comand[r]. as he finds the winds hang to goe directly thence to Bencoolen, or goe by way of Malacca, and Jehore and Battavia, and to call at Jehore to give his assistance to a Ship of this Port that is there embarsed with the Government if it can be done without loss of time.

Ordered that Twelve Topaz Souldiers be sent to the West Coast on Ship President, and that the Paymaster advance them two months Pay.

Letter to the Govern[r] and Council of York Fort read.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper, M[r]. Frederick and Addison state the Sea Damage of y[e] Broadcloth the Merchants complain of, and report y[e] same to this board.

M[r]. Rich[d] Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Acco[t] for the month of March last Viz[t].

Choultry Custom	279	17	8
Rubie Brokers	79	18	67
Town Brokers	8	14	56
Registring Slaves	0	32	0
Pag[s]. ...	36[8]	10	51

and pays into Cash Two hundred Pagod[s]. on that Account.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1709*——

Ordered that the Warehousekeep^{r} forthwith adjust all Accounts with the Companys Merch^{ts}, that soe they may be brought into the present Generall Bookes that end the last of this month, and for the future they be adjusted monthly and lay'd before this Board that soe they may be Entered upon the Generall Bookes.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULS ON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

13 Ship China Chindadre arrived in this Road from Beng^{ll}.
17 Rising Sun arrived here from Fort S^{t}. David.
— Ship President Cap^{t} Hopkins com^{r} sailed for Bencoolen.
— Ship Patasalamut arrived in this Road from Surat.
18 Ship Dolben Cap^{t} Butcher arrived from Suratt.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 21ST.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

M^{r}. Gulston Addison pays into the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} United Companys Cash the sum of Three thousand four hundred thirty nine Pagod^{s} for freight & Demorage Ship President to Tonqueen.

The Warehousekeep^{r}. &c^{a}. delivers in the report of the Damage Broadcloth the Merchants complain of amounting to Pagod^{s} 59·18 w^{ch} Damage did not appear till the cloth came to be opened.

M^{r}. Thomas ffrederick Sea Customer pays into Cash the sum of one thousand Pagod^{s}. on Acco^{t} Sea Customs.

M^{r}. Gulston Addison Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of March last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	1,201	15
Dyet and Allowances	335	4
Stores	557	2
Charges Generall	320	3
ffortifications & repairs	221	4
Charges Cattle	83	11
Charges Extraordinary	28	24
Ship President	399	0
PAG^{s}.	3,145	27

Agreed that One thousand five hundred Pagod^{s}. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

M^{r}. Richard Hunt late Storekeeper pays into Cash Pagod^{s}. 58. 25. 65 being the Ballance of his Storekeepers Account.

Henry Davenport Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of March last.

Ordered that the Storekeeper buys what Timber and Plank the Company have occasion for.

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The following Generall Letters received and sent were all now read.

ffrom the Deputy Gov^{r} and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 11th and 16th Instant.

ffrom the Cheif and Council of Vizagapat^{m}. dat^{d}. 27th March.

ffrom M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam dat^{d}. 7th April.

To the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David y^{s}. day.

They wanting a Writer at Vizagapatam ordered that M^{r}. Joseph Hiller Jun^{r}. goes thither.

There being no Place within the Walls fitt to keep store of Firewood by, and as it now lyes in M^{r}. Greenhills ground its hourly in danger of taking fire; Ordered y^{t}. the Paymaster builds a convenient house for the same on the Island, he following the Governours directions therein.

Ordered that Pagod^{s}. [*Lacuna*] be pay'd to M^{r}. George Lewis being the Principall and Interest of a bond given him.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Ship Elizabeth arrived from Surat.	22
Ship Unity Cap^{t}. Allison arrived from Pegue.	—
Ship Ganjam Gally Cap^{t}. Veal arrived from Vizagap^{m}.	—
Ship Idarce arrived from Pegue.	23
Ship Hanover Cap^{t}. Craddock arrived from Surat.	26
Briggantine Elizabeth Cap^{t}. Sanders from Callicut.	—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT Esq^{r}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. SATTURDAY 30TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Cap^{t}. Plumb delivers in a Petition against M^{r}. Griffith complaining of great Injustices done him in Acco^{ts}, which has been a matter in dispute some years, to w^{ch}. answered we could give him no releif till he had tryed it in the Mayors Court, and that he brought it before this board by way of appeal.

M^{r}. Griffith delivered in also a Petition wherein desired that he might be declared a Bankrupt according to the late Statute, upon which 'tis agreed that the Secretary returns him the following answere:—

That when his accounts appear soe fair and honest as M^{r}. Juxons that then he may expect the same favour as he mett with of being declared a Bankrupt.

This day was read a Letter from the Governour & Council of Negapatam dated 26th Instant complaining of a Ship of this Port that had been to Load Pepper at Callicutt which Letter and our answere are as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered the Warehousekeep^{r} unload the Herne and Donegall as soon as they arrive in this road, being hourly expected from Fort S^{t}. David and that he buys up Three hundred Candy of redwood to send to Bengall on the afores^{d}. Ships.

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This day the Gunner &c^{a}. delivered in the valuation of the rack house and what belong'd thereto Amounting to Pagod^{s}. 387·19·40 w^{ch}. is now agreed to be taken in as part of the Debt of Peter de Pomar, and to be charged to the Account of the New Farmers.

M^{r}. Frederick Sea Customer reads his Account for the month of March last Viz^{t}.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month.	7925	29	48
Custom on Grain	260	32	44
Anchorage	70	0	0
Pag^{s}.	8256	26	12

and pays into Cash One thousand Pag^{s} on y^{t} Acco^{t}.

Gruapau &c^{a} Arrack Farmer pay's in the sum of Three hundred & Sixteen Pag^{s}. on that Account.

Ponagetto Narso &c^{a} Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 583 : 12.

M^{r}. William Martin Late Sea Custom[er] pay's into Cash Five hundred Pagod^{s}. on y^{t} Account.

The following Generall Letters received we[re] all now read.

Two Generall Letters from y^{e} Council in Ben[gal] dated 2^{d} and 3 March.

ffrom Bombay dated 25thFebruary last.

ffrom the Council of Suratt dat^{d} 16th Feb^{y}.

Agreed Fifteen hundred Pagod^{s}. be advanced M^{r}. Gulston Addison Paymast^{r}. to defr[ay] Charges Garrison.

The Accomptant producing the Acco^{t} of last half years salary due to the Hon^{ble} Company^{s} ffactors of this place Amounting to P. 1292. 13 which is agreed to be payd.

GULSTON ADDISON. THO : PITT.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

MADRASSAPATAM.

THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT
AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. [GEORGE]
AND THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL
FOR [THE] R^{T}. HON^{BLE}
ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
[AND] COUNCIL THERE.

HON^{BLE} S^{R} AND WORTHY FRIENDS,

By Letters brought yesterday from Ceilone and Mallabarr, we are informed of the arrivall of an English Bottom at Callicut, named the Anna belonging in particular to the Hon^{ble} Thomas Pitt, commanded by Captain Thomas Walton, which Ship did sail express from Madrass with order to take in round Pepper bought up there by our common enemy the French, and to deliver it to them at Pondichery, so that by Shipping off of those Goods of which they have lately made a publick receivall, we must acknowledge Hon^{ble} S^{r} that these tydings considering the firm allyance and good correspondence between the Crown of England and our Lords the High and mighty States Generall of the United Netherlands surprised us Extreamly and make us amazed for it cannot be unknown to your Hon^{r}. of the trouble and great charges which has thus long been done and borne by the Netherland Company to shutt up the Harbours of y^{e} Suma[tra] and Mallabarr Coast, and so hinder our Enemys the

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Transportation of Pepper, and as the design of it has thus far succeeded that not only the enemys design of sailing on the said coast with some Ships that are idle ashore is hinderd, but the navigation along the whole Mallabarr Coast is secured to the purpose for ours and your Hon^rs^ Bottoms, Now the French thrô such an assistance of yo^r^ Honours will be allways in a condition to fetch away securely and Transport to them their Goods, and other wares from any place soever without any Lett or hindrance, by consequence thro' that way to make Illusive all our pains and devoirs to endammage and bring y^m^ hindrance in the said Trade as open enemys.

Be pleased then Hon^ble^ S^r^ to consider what such weighty and dangerous actions and indirect Trading may produce for us, we mean to be unanswerable for it, and to proceed against these doings, so much against all right and good meaning and tending to the prejudice of both our Nations, since we cannot do otherwise; by this we show your Hon^r^. under express witness that if the aforesaid case be thus, as we are advised of, and they send us sufficient proof and Witness, we shall be obliged upon it to Protest against your Hon^r^. and all those that shall have any hand, or be Interested in this pernicious business, for them to answere all Damages and proceedings that may be the result of it, so that We shall enquire into it, in the meantime expect your Hon^rs^ Dispatches, We are

Hon^ble^ S^r^. &c^a^.
Your most faithfull Freinds and
Obedient hum^ble^ Serv^ts^

NEGAPATAM
2^d^ MAY 1709.

J : V. STEELANT.
P. V. BURG.
ROBB^T^. WEIR.
P^s^. DENYSSEN.
H. WIGHTMAN.
H. DELA HAYE.
Dr. CLOONE.
M. BERGERY.

TO THE HON^BLE^ JOHANNES VAN STEELANT,
GOVERNOUR FOR AFFAIRS OF THE
R^T^ HON^BLE^ NETHERLANDS EAST INDIA COMPANY
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL
AND GOVERN^R^ OF NEGAPATAM &C COUNCIL.

HON^BLE^ S^R^. &c^a^.

We received the Hon^r^ of yours of the 2^d^ May S. N. wherein you have adventured to charge Thomas Pitt Governour of this place &c^a^ owners of Ship Anne with Trading to your prejudice, and to the encouragement of our declared enemys y^e^ ffrench which is not only inconsistent with their principles, but contrary to their intensions and inclinations. The Trade we drive in these parts is under the protection of the Crown of England, and by leave of our Company uncontroulable of all other Powers but to show our readiness to preserve an entire freindship with you suitable to the strict allyance between the two Nations, we give you here a true Accompt of the matter in dispute.

The Ship Anne arrived here the latter end of January from Bengall when immediatly the owners of her put her up at the Sea Gate for a Voyage to the Mallabar Coast to Trade at Anjengo Callicut and Goa, & accordingly put such commoditys as they thought proper for those markets, when in the meantime Collaway Chittee and his Brother Marra Chittee, who are concern'd with the Mallabar Merchants at Pondicherry offered a ffreight to the Owners of the aforesaid Ship 400 Candy of Pepper, which was half the Loading of the Ship, which they readily accepted of, believing that the time would be short that she could stay on that Coast, she would not be able to get her full Loading for their own Accounts; now supposing this to be Pepper that the French had bought at Callicut, were they not a liberty to sell it again to the Natives, or to any Merchant that came there, and how was it possible to be prevent'd, and as we understand these black people that have freighted

it, receive it as part of a Debt to them, and that it comes on their risgoe, and till we now received your Letter, and the Command^{rs}. of our Ships confirme the same, we never heard that you had any Ships that lay to guard that Coast, thô last year we were informed that you were at Warrs with the Country People in order to engross the Pepper Trade, which if effected will be as an apparent damage to our Nation as that of Bantam &c^{a}.

The Spaniards are equally our enemys as y^{e} French and yet their Vessells come frequently from Manilha to Battavia and to Mallacca, which we thought never was our busyness to take notice of, beleiving that nor this to Callicutt is a prejudice to the Allyes one Pepper Corn, nor half as much to your Company.

The ffrench have settlements in Bengall and Surat and can any of us with our utmost endeavours impede their Trade on the Shore, any more then you can at the place before in dispute.

If your Hon^{r} &c^{a} thinks you have sufficient Grounds for a Protest you may send it when you please unto which can give you no other answere then what in this Paper, and for Governour Pitt he intends for England on the first Shipping, where he doubt not but he shall be able to justifye what relates to him, and the rest of the Owners of the Ship concerned in that Voyage, so wishing your Hon^{r} &c^{a} all health & properity we remain

Hon^{ble} S^{r} &c^{a},
Yo^{r} most faithfull freinds
and humble Servants
THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.
HENRY DAVENPORT.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
APRIL 28TH. 1709.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[MAY] MONDAY 2^{D}.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

The Nabobs Letter to the Governour now read as also one to Ramapa, the purport being to thank the Governour for some Doggs he had sent him, & to acquaint him of a horse and Tashereef by the bearer which are as Entered in the Country Letter Book N^{o}. [*Lacuna.*]

This day we had again under our consideration the affair of Vizagapatam and came to the following Resolution, that the Investments there should be equally divided between Buddain Narrain &c^{a} Partners the old Merchants and Curra Lingana and his Partners and that they should both bring in their Goods according to the Companys order without having any money advanced to them, & if either of them fail in point of time or goodness of the Goods, the other to have the whole, or y^{e} Amo^{t}. of what Goods they can bring in; And this to be signifyed to the Cheif and Council there, and strictly enjoyned to Act accordingly.

It being generally reported that the Rajahs Pygroe and Aunteraaz near Vizagapatam who are considerably Indebted to the late M^{r}. Holcombe that they are willing to come to a fair adjustment of Accounts, and pay the Ballance; Tis therefore Agreed

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that the Governour here writes them a Lett^{r}. to incite them thereto, and that we order the Cheif and Council there to send their Mulla, Braminy Juggapa, Curva Lingana, or some of his Partners to assist in finishing the same, that soe we may get in wherewithall to pay the Companys Debt and that to Nabob ffuckerlee Cawn, which if not pay'd may one time or other be of ill consequence to the Companys Affairs.

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Warehousekeep^{r}. reads his Warehouse Account for the month of March last and pays into Cash Ten thousand Pagod^{s}. on Acco^{t}. Silver and Goods sold.

M^{r}. Hunt reads the Journall parcells of Acco^{ts}. for the month of February last.

Peter de Pomar &c^{a}. Arrack Farmers pay's into Cash Nine hundred and twelve Pag^{s}. 18 on that Account.

Peter de Pomarr &c^{a} pays into Cash Four hundred Pagod^{s}. for two years Wine Licence.

Agreed that 1 Bale Scarlet 3 Bales Aurora be delivered to Collaway and Vinkettee Chittee and that M^{r}. Addison has sixty peices Ord^{ry}. Broadcloth to send to Pegue, and to pay for the same as the Merchants who boug^{t}. the whole quantity.

THO. PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Ship Mahomud Bux saild for Pegue.	4.
Ship Herne Cap^{t}. Lawe arrived from Bengall.	5.
Ship Donegall Cap^{t}. Cliff from Ditto.	—
Ship Anne Cap^{t}. Walton from Callicut.	6.
Ship United saild for Pegue.	11.
Ship S^{ta}. Maria saild for Mococo.	12.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT. — FRIDAY 13TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. — ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. — GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. — HENRY DAVENPORT.

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble United Companys Cash for the month of April last Ballance being Pag^{s}. [*Lacuna.*]

Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. as Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of April last, and pay's into Cash Two hundred thirty five Pagod^{s}. 11 ^{fas} for Custom on Gold coined, and farther pay's to the Warehousekeep^{r}. 669 Rupees for Custom on Silver coined.

M^{r}. Frederick Sea Customer pay's into Cash One Thousand Pagod^{s}. on that Account.

Agreed that Ten thousand Pagod^{s}. be sent by Peons overland to Fort S^{t}. David.

The New Arrack Farmers Petition read complaining against Peter de Pomar, which is referred to the Justices of the Choultry to Examine into y^{e} premises of the Petition and report the same.

M^{r}. Richard Hunt reads the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of March last.

M^{r} Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of April last, and pays into Cash Five hundred Pagod^{s}. on that Account.

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Henry Davenport Storekeepeer reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of April last.

Peter Young Blood Gunners Mate delivers in a Petition requesting a consideration for serving on board the Companys Vessells to and from their severall settlements, Agreed that the said Petition be referred to Mr. Addison Paymastr. to do that which is just and reasonable therein.

Agreed with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for Two thousand peices of Betteelaes of 24 Coveds long by the Muster of the Oringall Betteelaes of Pa 60 ℔ Corge which they are to be sorted by and each Number as followes Vizt.

N : 1 at Pagods. 45 ℔ Corge.
2 at Pagods. 41·9 ℔ Corge.
3 at Pagods. 37.18 ℔ Corge.

THO. PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.

13. Ship Tonqueen Merchant Capt. Greenhaugh Comandr. saild for Tonqueen.
14. Ship Queen Anne saild for Bengall.
15. Ship Kent Capt. Edward Harrison Comr. arrived from China.
— Ship Legebar saild for Bengall.
— Ship Mary Capt Oaldham Comr saild for Bengall.
16. Ship Maremaid Capt. Brock Comr arrived from Batt[avia].
— Ship Pangallee arrived in this road from Surat.
— Ship Salamot Savauhee arrived from Porto Novo.
19. Sloop Feet Galleen arrived in the Road from Callicut.
20. Ship Harriote Capt Moss arrived from Surat.
— Sloop Darling Capt Hart from Cuddalore.
20. Ship Industry from Cuddalore.
— Ship St David Capt Meverell Comandr arrived in this Road from Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ. GOVERNR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT ROWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

SATTURDAY 21ST.

This day the Governour produced a Letter he had recd. from Zoodee Cawn Lord High Steward of King Shaw Allums Household which was now read with his answere thereto, and are as Entered after this Consultation.

Mr Thomas ffrederick Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of April last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	361.	13.	—
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	412.	24.	4
Town Brokers	...	...	...	...	98.	8.	5
Grass Cutters	...	...	...	...	4.	—	—
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	1.	28.	—
				Pags.	878.	2.	3.

and pays into the Rt Honble United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagods. on that Account.

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Agreed that Ten thousand Pagod^{s}. be sent to Vizagapatam and that the Donnegall calls there to put it ashore.

M^{r} Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of April last.

M^{r} Gulston Addison Paymaster reads his Paymast^{rs}. Account for the month of April last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}.	1185. 9.
Dyet and allowances		312. 34.
Stores		72. 24.
West Coast		104. —
Charges Generall		328. 34
Fortifications and repairs		240. 26
Charges Cattle		179. 8
Charges Extraordinary		21. 33
Fort S^{t} David		9. 17
	Pag^{s}.	2454. 31

Agreed that Fifteen hundred Pagod^{s}. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t} David dated y^{e} day read and approved.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*]
GULSTON ADDISON.
[*Lacuna*]

FROM HIS EXCELL^{Y} ZOODEE CAWN,
LORD HIGH STEWARD
OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD

I received your severall Letters about y^{e} Present and some other business, which I observe.

I am still endeavouring to settle your affairs, which I hope by the Grace of God to doe according to your desire for I assure you that you increase daily in the Kings favour, as also in Cawn Canauns and Cawn Bahaudirs; In two or three days will dispatch your peons, and send Gusbaudars with the Kings order to all the Governours to Metchlepatam and your Place and the King has ordered Cawn Canaun to write strictly to all the Subadars &c^{a} to be assistant in gaining your people a safe passage to the Camp. Reod^{a} 16th May 1709.

The Princes Duan Mautummida Cawn has acquainted me that he was sending Meer Mahomud Caujim to Chinapatam to procure severall things to whom I desire you would please to give your countenance and assistance, which will oblige him to recommend your Honour on his returne to the Princes, which will be a means to preserve their favour, pray advise me always of your health & prosperity.

TO HIS EXCELL^{Y} ZOODEE CAWN
LORD HIGH STEWARD OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD
MAY 19th. 1709.

I received the Hon^{r} of your Perwanna two day's agoe, and cannot but^{t} rejoyce at the contents, as being blest with the Kings Royall favours, as also that of the two Grand Viziers, and the Honour you doe me of the continuance of your ffriendship, and as it is our Duty, so it shall be our great care and diligence not to do any thing y^{t}. may forfeit the least title of it.

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Twas a great misfortune to us that the King returned so suddainly from Gulcondah where with greater probability we could have waited on him, then at the great distance we hear his Majesty now is, at Oringabad, for that the dearness of Provissions & sickness of the Camp so intimidated all cooleys, Pallankeen boys &c[a] Servants that they run all away just as we were ready to sett out, and if the Gusbaudars come as you mention in your Letter, we shall be forced to deliver the Present to them to bring it to your Excellency, and leave it entirely to your disposall, for that the great distance and what before mentioned has scar'd all our people from coming with it.

We extreamly stand in need of the blessing of his Majestys Royall Phirmaund throughout his Dominions, that our business may goe on according to Sallabad more particularly in Bengall, where all stands still for want of it, and our Ships that are just now returned from Surat, bring such complaints of injustices of that Port that 'tis intollerable, soe earnestly beg that your Excellency will hasten the blessing to us, without which there's no remedy, and we can't be ungratefull for it.

My two Peons are returned who tell me that yo[r] Excellency will Honour us with an answere by the four peons that remains with you, and you say the same in your Letter.

Mulla Abdull Fussill is arrived here who brought me the Honour of the Royall Vest procured by your favour for which I humbly thank you, I received it with all duty and respect, and shall assist Abdull Fussill in whatever he desires of me.

I have also seen Meer Mahomud Caujim whom I shall also serve to the utmost of my power.

Mulla Abdulla Fussill deliver'd me your Excellencys noble Present according to List, for which I not only return my hearty thanks but humbly beg that you'l give me an opportunity to acknowledge them, by honouring me with your comands that soe I may know w[t] would be most Acceptable.

We heartily pray for the long and happy reign of the great King Shaw Allum, long life and prosperity to the great Cawn Canaun and Cawn Bahadar, the same to our Hon[ble] freind Zoodee Cawn, and that he may be always blest with the favour of his great King and the friendship of all others.

22. Ship Ganjam Gally saild out of this road for Ganjam.
23. Sloop Pondicherry arrived in this road from Trincombar.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq. Govern[r] and Presid[t].
Thursday 26[th]. William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt. Henry Davenport.

M[r] Abendana the Diamond Merchant being lately dead, the Governour produced the Copy of his Will this day in Consultation, and whereas he is mentioned a Trustee, and in his absence the Governour and Council for the time being, and he resolving to take his passage on Ship Kent for England, Renounces having anything to do in it in his particular capacity, thô willing to Act as Governour with the Council during his stay, in order to see that his Creditors in England have justice done them, beleiving that he has great dealings and Accounts that remain unadjusted. Tis therefore resolved that the Secretary acquaints M[rs] Abendana that as the Governour had advised her to produce her husbands Will and prove the same in the May[rs]. Court, which she had done, that now the Governour and Council thought it reasonable and just that ffour Persons should be nominated, two by the Governour and Council and two by herself (as not being able to write nor read) to peruse all

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his Bookes and Papers, and out of them to make a calculate of his Debts and Credits, and then afterwards she to give an Inventory of the Estate upon Oath to be Registred in the Court, when also to give security to pay his Debts and perform the Will, upon failure of which the Governour and Council will Issue out their orders that noe money be pay'd her.

This day the Governour produced in Consultation a Protest from the Governour and Council of Negapatam persuant to a Letter they wrott us as Ent^{d}. after our Consultation of the 30th of April, w^{ch}. Protest is as Entered after this.

This day was read a Letter from the Governour of Cochin relating to an affair between Cap^{t} Hamilton and M^{r}. Maxwell, Translate of which Letter is Entered in the Copy Booke of Letters Received N°. [*Lacuna*] the purport of which is a complaint against the Governour and Council decideing a matter between the abovesaid Persons, which we know nothing of for that it was decided by Arbitrators of their own choosing, who we now hear were all unanimous in their award, but one thing is very remarkable in the Letter the Commodore saying that Mallapa is their Cheif Merchant (who to all people is known to be the Villain that supported the Pyrats on that Coast) who will make reprisall on our Ships if we doe not answere his demands.

Ponagetto Narso &c^{a} Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagodas twelve fanams on that Account.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{d}. HUNT.

To the Hon^{BLE} Thomas Pitt Esq^{R}.
President for Affairs of the
R^{t} Hon ^{BLE} English East India Company on the
Coast of Choromandell and Governour of
Fort S^{t} George &c^{A} Council.

Hon^{ble}. S^{r} &c^{a}.

Your Honours Letter dated April the 28th O. S. was brought us in due time written in answer to what we wrote your Hon^{r} in ours of the second of May N. S. concerning the Employ of the English Ship named the Anna belonging to the particular the Hon^{ble} Thomas Pitt that was not long agoe at Callicutt, and who was designd to fetch from the said Callicutt the round Pepper which the French our common Enemy had made provission of there.

Touching which have received since information of from the Mallabarr Coast by way of Ceilone, so that we are at present fully assured by clear, and evident signs and convincing proofs that this Ship saild expressly from Madrass for the aforesaid purpose.

The Servants of our Enemys have publickly put their Pepper aboard her, as we were informed by our first advices from thence.

And after inquiry made about this business on this Coast, we have also received for certain that the self same Vessell Loaden with Pepper is arrived at Pondicherry near and between our residence of Conimeer and Tegnepatam scarse three leagues from each other; and there have openly taken out that Loading, to witt, the Enemys aforesaid Pepper whose Navigation that hass been thus long hindred by the Netherlands Company with so much trouble and prodigious charges, they have again securely got by means of your Honours assistance, so that our Enemys have the use of more Bottoms; however under the name of being freighted by Inland Merch^{ts} as may be not wholy unknown to your Hon^{r}.

But your Hon^{r} seems to justifye your measures by sundry reasons the principallest of which are no ways applicable to the present case being well looked into; For they should confute and make appear to the contrary, But the thing is quite

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otherwise then what your Hon^{r} demonstrates, wherefore we think it not needfull to mention any farther of it, for it is no ways our intentions to Enter into any dispute with your Hon^{r}. about it, but only to stand upon the wrong and prejudice done to our Masters by the aforesaid means, especially in respect of their good design and well meant consideration in shutting up the Harbours of the Sammoryn, to give the French as Common Enemys all manner of hindrance in their Trade, but which now by the assistance lent them by your Hou^{r} is not only rendred ineffectuall but also occasion given to the haughty enemy publickly to deride our devoir and studyes to their prejudice now rendred fruitless. Now as your Hon^{rs} desired allegations are nothing to the purpose in the proceeding of this deceitfull and indirect dealing, We declare these proceedings to be contrary to all right and justice and not at all agreeing with the near alliance & confederaship between the Crown of England & our Sovereign Lords the high and mighty States Generall of the United Netherlands, as will in it self as in regard of the dangerous consequences may attend it, obliges us, as by our aforementioned Letter of the 2^{d}. of May in which is made a provissionary preparation; soe now also in behalf of the Generall and permitted of Netherlands East India Comp^{a} our Masters to Protest in the most powerfullest manner against your Hon^{r} in Company, and in particular against the Hon^{ble} Thomas Pitt Governour as y^{e} Cheif owner of the aforementioned Ship Anne, as well as all others that have any hand in this pernicious busyness, or have any Interest in it, and we do expressly Protest by these presents in damages & injuryes, so and in such manner as our aforesaid Masters in due time may find good and approve of, for y^{e} maintaining their True and undoubted right, leaving all further breaches and misfortunes that may be the result of it, with the Cost Damages & Interest already and yet to make for the Account, & answering of your Hon^{r}. and all whom it may concerne.

IN THE TOWN OF NEGAPATNAM ON THE
COAST OF CHOROMANDELL MAY THE 30TH 1709.

28 Ship Ganjamvarree arrived here from Surat.
29 Briggantine Elizabeth Cap^{t} Sanders saild for Bengall.
— Ship Industry saild for Bengall.
30 Sloop Sampadreu Sampanew arrived from Maldevas.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 30TH. THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Agreed that the Kent goes to Bengall with all expedition, and that the Warehousekeeper loads on her Three hundred Bales of Ordinary Longcloth & Sallampores, with her Charterparty of Redwood, and one hundred Candy for Bengall.

Cap^{t} Harrison this day delivered in a Paper requesting as we had ordered him for Bengall, that we would permitt him to Land what Goods he had brought with him from China and designed for England, and relade the same on his returne hither Custom free: Agreed the same be granted him he giving an exact Account to the Sea Customer, who is to see the same reshipt, or to pay Custom for what he shall dispose of here.

Ordered that the Warehousekeep^{r} Loads Fourty two Chests of Rupees on the Herne being what remaining in the Godown, and that he also Loads Ten thousand Pagoda^{s}. on the Donegall for Vizagapatam.

Generall Letter to the Council for the United affairs in the Bay of Bengall dated this day now read & approv'd.

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Agreed Fifteen hundred Pagod^{s}. be advanced M^{r} Gulst^{n}. Addison Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^{r}. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pay's into Cash one thousand Pagod^{s}. on Account Sea Custom.

Ponagetto Narso &c^{a} Tobacco and beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Pagod^{s}. 583. 12^{fa}. on that Account.

Gruapa &c^{a} Arrack ffarmers pay's into Cash Pa. 316. 24 on that Account.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

To THE HONOUR^{BLE} THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR &C^{A} COUNCIL.

Having provided severall Goods in China for England which are now on board the Ship Kent under my Command, I am unwilling to run a needless risque of them to Bengall, and therefore pray the favour of leaving them here without paying the Customs, obliging myself to take them aboard at my returne to fill up for England I am

Hon^{ble} &c^{a}

MAY THE 30TH 1709. Yo^{r} most hum^{ble} Serv^{t}.

E. HARRISON.

The Maddapollam Yatch arrived from Fort S^{t}. David. [JUNE] 2^{D}.

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Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 3^{D}.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

By a Ship lately arrived at S^{t}. Thoma from Atcheen the Governour received a Letter from the King, Translate of which was now read, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

The Nabob Dowed Cawn having wrott the Gov^{r}. a Letter wherein he requests thirty Candy of Powder and one hundred maund of Lead, and to send him an European for a Gunner, and what advanced him for his charges, all which to be deducted out of the Annuall Rent. Agreed that there be advanced 30 Pagod^{s}. to Richard Gowman who goes Gunner.

Ordered that the Warehousekeep^{r} delivers y^{e} Storekeep^{r}. ffifty Candy Salt Petre to refine for powder.

The ffollowing Letters read.
To the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam
To the United Council in Bengall
Dispatches to the Comand^{r}. of Ships Herne & Donegall all dated this day now read and approved.
Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 31st May

M^{r} Hunt reads y^{e} Journall Parcells of Acco^{ts} for April.

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Ordered that David Christian be Entertain'd of yᵉ Gunʳˢ Crew.

THO: PITT.
GULSTON ADDISON. W. MARTIN.
RICHᴰ. HUNT. ROBᵀ. RAWORTH.

FROM PURECAU SHAW AULLUM
KING OF ATCHEEN

RECᴰ. 2ᴰ JUNE 1709

I take this opportunity of writing you on Wallidar Cawns Ship to advice that by yᵉ Grace of God I am in possession of all the Atcheen Country excepting one City which I don't doubt if you'l give me your assistance to subdue and make them pay due obedience to my orders, which I shall always esteem as an instance of your Freindship, and wᵗ charge you will be at shall thankfully repay, and likewise make acknowledgements for yʳ. trouble, and confirm the priviledges of your Factory here as formerly in Granting you free from Custom, three Ships one from your Place, one from Bengall and one from Surat, pray observe this well & follow my desires therein, when you shall never want my favour.

5. Sloop Aumoross arrived in this road from Trincombʳ.
7. Ship Herne Capᵗ. Lane Comandʳ. saild for Bengall.
– Ship Donegall Capᵗ. Cliffe Comandʳ. saild for Vizagapᵐ. and Bengall.
– Ship Sᵗ. Joan saild out of this road for Bengall.
– Sloop Sᵗ Peter Sᵗ Paul saild out of this Road for Ditto.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY 11ᵀᴴ. THOMAS PITT ESQᴿ. GOVERNᴿ. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Thomas Pitt Esqʳ. President reads his Accoᵗ of the Rᵗ Honᵇˡᵉ United Companys Cash for the month of May.

Thomas Pitt Esqʳ Mintmaster reads his Mint Accoᵗ for the month of May last, and pays into the Compˢ Cash Three hundred and three Pagodˢ. 22. 40. for Custom on Gold coin'd, and farther pays to the Warehousekeepʳ. 806 Rupees for Custom on Silver coin'd.

Mʳ Gulston Addison Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of May last Vizᵗ.

Charges Garrison	Pagˢ.	1256.	9
Dyett and Allowances		329.	29
Stores		272.	14
Charges Generall		306.	15
West Coast		9.	3
Fortifications and repairs		327.	26
Ship President		8.	22
Charges Cattle		85.	5
Charges Extraordinary		33:	7
	Pa.	2637.	–

Agreed that Mʳ Berlue returnes forthwith to Fort Sᵗ. David as also the Dubash that came with him, and that Sixteen European Centinalls be sent on yᵉ Vessell for that place.

The Council in Bengall having strangely surprized us in a clause of their Letter his day read concerning our not sendˢ. down the Mountegues Broadcloth, and that the Company would suffer thereby at least Fifteen hundred Pound Sterling, besides

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Loosing the opportunity of putting off a quantity of Lead, so to clear ourselves of the charge we referr the Comp[a] to the following Clauses in our Generall Letters to y[m]. Viz[t].

LETTER DATED 25[th] FEBRUARY $170\frac{5}{6}$

" We should have been very glad if you had detaind all the Broadcloth, for " at the price you sell it, is considerable more then what we can here.

LETTER DATED 5[th] OCTOBER 1708.

" We having now no hopes of any ships from England, yet don't know what designed " for this Port coming late upon the Coast may goe directly to yours, if soe pray " returne up to us what stores they bring for us, unless you can put off any to " considerable advantage, but be sure to send five or Six Tons of Iron and part of " the steel, for the Broadcloth it will sell well here, tho' if you meet with an extra- " ordinary Proffer you had best dispose of it too one hundred Bales, and that must " consist in Scarlet, Auroras, ordinary Reds & Green which we shall want for " Presents, and if you can spare us any thing else that will serve for such occasions " we shall thank you for it."

To which we never had a word of answere, or anything mentioned in their Letter of Broadcloth till this days Letter, but as it happens our Merchants who bought the Broadcloth being willing to part with One hundred and twenty Bales at the price they gave for it; Tis agreed that we accept thereof, and take fforty or fifty Bales of those we kept for Presents, and send them upon the Kent, and that the Warehouse-keeper Mess[rs]. Frederick and Addison view the Cloth from the Merchants to see whether they have not cul'd out the best and left y[e] worst.

The Governour this day produced a Letter he had received from S[t] Thoma from a Dominican Fryer there, with copy of a Letter from the Capuchins of this Church to the said Padre the purport being about an order he had lately received from the Patriock in China, who formerly gave the Capuchins trouble here, which he had now revived by renewing his Excommunication, and forbids absolution without the severe Penance of carrying a Cross from this Church to S[t] Thomas' Mount &c[a] and this is inflicted on them for following y[e] orders of the Government, upon which the Governour issued out orders to search all Padres that should come within our Limits, and to refuse them admittance & prohibited the Padres of this Church to Publish any Paper in their Church from the Patriock, upon penalty of being expelled this City.

M[r] Francis Mollineux gave the Governour formerly a Petition desireing leave to lay down the Companys Service, which he deferred delivering, adviseing him to consider well of the same, but this day renewing his request by a Paper, the same was granted him, and both are as Entered after this Consultation.

M[r] Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for May Viz[t].

Choultry Custom	Pag[s]	219	29	66
Ruby Brokers		153	1	55
Town Broakers		7	35	22
Grass Cutters		4	4	20
Registring Slaves		2	...	...
	Pa.	386	35	3

The ffollowing Letters received were all now read.

From the Council in Bengall dat[d]. 3[d] April 1709.

ffrom Vizagapatam 22[d] May 1709, with a Bill for Pagod[s]. 2024. 21 which is agreed to be payd.

From M[r] Noden dated 30[th] May 1709.

ffrom the Agent & Council of Ispahaun dat[d] 23 Sep[r] 1706.

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Mr. Raworth Warehousekeepr pay's in 2000 Pags.

Agreed the Washers be advaneed Pags 100 in money and Pags 200 in Paddy at 17 Mercall for a Pagoda.

Ordered that John Desoosa, Manuel de Rodregues Manuel Consalvice Topaz Souldiers be discharged.

HEN: DAVENPORT. THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD: HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT Esqr.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR &CA COUNCIL
OF FORT St. GEORGE.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONR &CA.

Having since my aboard in Madrass enjoyed but a small share of health and finding by my longer stay in it 'twill be impaird, I humbly presume to request your Honr &ca discharge from the Companys Service in order to prepare myself for a Voyage to England by the first Ship bound thither. I hope your Honr &ca will not inferr from what I have before ask'd that I disesteem the Companys service of which I always had and shall continue to have the highest esteem, but since want of health is the occasion of my troubling your Honr &ca with this Petition I hope you'l be as favourable to me as to others formerly and Grant it, for which I shall alwayes acknowledge myself.

FORT St GEORGE. Yor. obedt. Humble servt.
May 14th 1709. FRANCIS MOLYNEUX.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT Esqr.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR OF FORT Sr. GEORGE.

HONBLE Sr.

It is now double the time your Honr was pleased to order me to stay to consider before I took a Resolution on the purport of a Petition formerly delivered your Honr, which having seriously done, do humbly request your Honr to Grant, and it will infinitely oblige.

Honble Sr
FORT St GEORGE. Yor most Humble Servt.
JUNE 6TH. 1709. FRANs MOLYNEUX.

21 Ship Maddapollam Auga Jaffeer saild for Atcheen.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 21ST
THOMAS PITT Esqr. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

According to our Consultation of the 11th Instant Messrs Raworth, Frederick and Addison have viewe'd ye Cloth of the Merchants and received of them seventy five Bales, which is agreed to be ship'd now on the Abington for Bengall Freight, and some more to be sent on ye Kent.

This day a Petition of Capt. Manuel de Silva read about 260 Pagods. owing to him from Thompson a Mate of the Syam Merchant, who's effects were sold by

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Mr. Sheldon in Bengall and the produce remaining in his hands which the Governour agrees to pay and to charge Mr. Sheldon with the same.

Mr John Berlu this day delivered in a Petition as Entered after this Consultation the purport relating to the Scavengers Employ of Tevenapatam, consideration of which referred to our next meeting.

Mr. William Martin Late Sea Customer pays into Cash Five hundred Pagod . on Acco^{t} Sea Customs.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pay's into Cash One Thousand Pagod^{s}. on Account Sea Custom.

Mr. Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of May last.

Ordered that Mr. Legg assist in the Warehouse.

Ordered that Peter de blick and Andrew Surdieness Hausen are Entertaind of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
BOB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

TO THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT OF FFORT S^{T}. GEORGE AND
GOVERNOR OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

MAY IT PLEASE YO^{R} HON^{R}.

THE PETITION OF JOHN BERLU
HUMBLY SHEWETH.

That your Petitioner has (by your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} order) for some years past collected the Scavengers duty of Tevenapatam the Account of w^{ch}. has been remitted up to Fort S^{t}. George, wherefore yo^{r}. Petition^{r}. humbly begs that your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} would be pleased to settle the said Scavengers Duty ere' he returns to Fort S^{t}. David and your Petitioner depending on yo^{r}. Hon^{rs}. &c^{a} accustomed benevolence makes bold to acquaint you that he has been at the charge of setting Trees in all the streets of Tevenapatam and down to the Seasyde (allso filled up severall holes and raised the ground where formerly the River run) which is universally known to be a Generall benefit to the Inhabitants and being many hundreds in number and now well growen will in case of any trouble serve for Firewood for the Garrison and at present are very beneficiall to the weavers who wind off their Threads under the shade which has cost your Petitioner considerable to bring to perfection and also to maintain severall coolys to water 'em daily; therefore your Petitioner humbly requests yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{a} will please to favour him with some consideration to reimburse the Charge he has been at and as in Duty bound.

Shall ever pray.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT. — FRIDAY 24TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. — ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. — GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. — HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day the Governour produced a Letter he received y^{e} 22^{d} Instant from Zoodee Cawn Lord High Steward and is as Entered after this Consultation, the

purport thereof being to hasten the Present to the King, which as y^s^ time we are thinking to send to Metchlepatam on the Kent, but our resolutions therein deferred to our next meeting.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Warehousekeep^r^ pay's into the Rt. Hon^ble^ United Companys Cash Twelve thousand Pagod^s^. Acco^t^. on Silver and Goods sold.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D^. HUNT.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

FROM HIS EXCELLENCY ZOODEE CAWN

LORD HIGH STEWARD OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD.

REC^D^. 22^D^ JUNE 1709.

All health, I received your Freindly Letter in good time, wherein you acquaint me that you would send your present by Sea to Metchlepatam and desire safe conduct from thence, for which purpose y^e^ King has ordered his Husbulhookum by your Peons for Iusph Cawn Suba of Gulcondah to forward the same, and assist you in sending up the Presents, so advise you to have all in readiness and I will hasten the Dusticks to all Phousdars &c^a^ relating thereto, and His Majesty has ordered a Gusbardar to attend your Present who will bring the Dusticks with him, and when it arrives at Court will take care that your busyness shall be done, and you may depend upon me in all matters, what can I say more.

My good Freind soon after this I shall give answere to your severall proposalls, and by the bearer hereof I have sent a Perwanna to the Suba of Gulcondah, and will send a Dustick by Gusberdarrs to Metchlepatam.

If his Majesty does not make a stay at Auringabad he will most certainly at Perdapoor, and you may direct your people accordingly, relating to which I have wrott your Mulla to hasten these matters, that they may be speedily with us, I will advise you by Cossid of all that has happen'd materiall, and the reason of my detaining your Peons so long, in the meantime I desire you to use your utmost dilligence & endeavours in forwarding Abdull Phaseil to Pegue, and that y^o^ would give your countenance and assistance to Meer Mahomud Razza and Auga Makeem as to your particular freinds; you have done well in not going to your own Country this year, for by the help of God you are to have a great share in the settling the Maritine affairs, and the business of the Sea Ports, that you may returne to your Country w^th^ satisfaction Loaden with the greatest Honour that ever any person had before you, for fate has framed you for this business, and this business for you: I am a well wisher to everybody, but more particularly your Honour and hope that you may have satisfaction to see y^s^ business finished and reap the Hon^r^ thereof, for its a great affair.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY ZOODEE CAWN

LORD HIGH STEWARD OF KING SHAW ALLUMS HOUSEHOLD.

DATED JUNE 24^TH^ 1709.

By my four Peons who arrived here about six days agoe I received the Hon^r^ of your Excellencys Perwanna which brought me the most welcome news of your health, thô here was and is still a report to the contrary raised I suppose by your Enemys, who are few in number to those who heartily wish yo^r^ Excell^y^. health and prosperity.

As soon as I dispatch those Letters to your Excell^cy^. advising that we would send our Present to Metchlepatam here was new's that the King was marching with all speed to Dilly, soe that 'twas the advice of all sorts of people not to stur the Presents

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from this place 'till we heard again from you, besides there was and is still troubles on the road from Metchlepatam to Gulcondah.

The Present has lain ready Pack'd this six months consisting of the curiositys of Europe, Persia & China and such as I am confident will please his Majesty I wish they were now lying at his Royall Feet.

We have received the Husbullhookum & Perwannas for the Suba of Gulcondah who has the Character in all these parts of a very wise and just man who doubtless will restore that ancient City to its former greatness and luster, by these Peons I have presumed to address myself to him, desireing y^t^. he wo^d^. rank me amongst his Servants, & honour me with his Commands.

We are hourly expecting to hear of the arrivall of the Gusbardar at Metchlepatam with the Dusticks thô all people say that we can't stirr thence till after the rains without runing great hazards of spoiling all.

If our people sett out of Metchlepatam I shall direct 'em as your Excellency commands to Perdapoor, I am waiting for the arrivall of the Cossitts, which I hope will speedily be here, I shall not be wanting in my utmost endeavours to forward Abdull Phazeel on the first Ship to Pegue and serve him to his satisfaction, and the same to Meer Mahomud Ruzza and Aga Maukeem, who as your Freinds I esteem my Brothers.

Nothing but the great value and dependance I have upon your Excellencys freindship made me deferr going to my own Country this last Monsoon, for which I shall reckon myself recompenced far above my wishes and expectation, if at last I goe Loaded w^th^. the Honours you are pleased to give me hopes of, w^ch^. and what already received shall be for ever attributd to the goodness and greatness of our Hon^ble^. Freind Zoodee Cawn.

The Chief end of sending these Peons is that if y^e^. King should march further then expected in your last Lett^r^. that then it may bee you may think it better to send the Present to some other Port this Monsoon, that may be much nearer the Kings Camp, so that 'twill arrive with more security in all respects, to which I humbly request your Excellencys speedy orders.

'God Grant your Excellency long life, health, and prosperity and me ability suitable to my will to make acknowledgements for the invaluable obligations you have laid on our Nation & more particularly myself.

Sloop Blackboy William Dickson Master saild out of this Road for Metchlepatam. 25

AT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 27^th^.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ., GOVERN^R^. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day we considered on M^r^. Berlues Petition delivered in the 21^st^ Instant, and whereas he has been Scavenger for six years past at Tevenapatam the Amount of w^ch^. Duty Amounting to Pagod^s^. 425·9½ as ℔ Account delivered, 'tis unanimously agreed that he bee allowed for his trouble 50 Pagod^s^. ℔ Annum, and what remains being Pagod^s^. 125·9½ be allowed him for the Charge he has been at in Planting Trees &c^a^ which is very commodious and in severall respects advantageous to the town.

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The Governour having received some Musters of Cloth from Mr. Cowse at Anjengo, which he now delivers to the Warehousekeeper, and when we receive Mr. Cowse advice of the Price, Length and Breadth, as he has promised we shall then consider of the same and send an answere thereto.

This day was summoned Senhr. Auga Pera, Surapau, Narrain, Mulla and Braminy to consider of sending the Present to Metchlepatam, which after some discourse 'twas resolved to let it lye here till we heard whether the Gusbardar was arrived there, beleiving yt. if we sent it, we could not sturr thence till after the raines, and the meantime the Governour to answere Zoodee Cawns Letter and write another to his Highness Cawn Bahawdar, and one to the Nabob of Gulcondah.

Ponagetto Narso &ca Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. 12fa. on that Acct.

Gruapa &ca Arrack Farmers pay's into Cash Three hundred and Sixteen Pagods. 24 fans. on that Account.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Sea-Customer reads his Sea-Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	...	P. 3848 : 18: 36
Custom on Grain		89 : 1: 0
Anchorage		43 : 18: 0
Pags.	...	3981 : 1: 36

Mr. Hunt produces the Generall Bookes posted to yc. Ultimo April last.

Ordered that William Watly be Entertained one of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.
HEN: DAVENPORT.

27 Ship Mairmaid Capt. Brock Comr. saild for Bengall.
— Capt. Weoley in the Titty Gally saild for Bengall.
28 Ship Abington Capt. Lesly Comr. saild for Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JULY, FRIDAY P.m.

THOMAS PITT, Esqr. GOVERNr. & PRESIDt.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*]. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Mr. Frederick *at St. Thoma's Mount.*

This day Auga Pera &ca was summoned when the Governour produced the Following Letters which he had wrott as Agreed on last Consultation, which were all now read and approved and are as Entered after this Consultation.

Mr. Robert Raworth Warehousekeepr delivers his Account with the Merchants, being what received of them last month, which is now given the Accomptant.

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Agreed that Ten thousand Pagod^{s}. be sent overland to Fort S^{t}. David by Peons in company wth. M^{r}. Berlu.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna.*]
GULSTON ADDISON.
[*Lacuna.*]
HEN: DAVENPORT.

The Letter to Zoodee Cawn Entered before the Consultation of the 27th. June.

TO ISUPH CAWN SUBA OF GULCONDAH,

DATED 30TH JUNE 1709.

The greatness of your Character which has made your Excellency famous in all parts of the world for your wisdom, Justice and Mercy and being a Protector of all strangers Merchants in your great Kings Country has prompted me to presume to send you this humble Address to congratulate your Excellency accession to the Subaship of that ancient and ffamous City of Gulcondah, which I doubt not but by your Excell^{ys}. admirable Virtues and qualifications will be soon restored to its former lustre and greatness and bee again the wonder of the world.

I heartily wish your Excellency may be alwayes blest with the favour of the great King Shah Allum, health and prosperity, and humbly desire that you'l rank me amongst your servants & hon^{r}. me always with your Commands.

TO HIS HIGHNESS CAWN BAHAUDER,
GRAND VIZIER.

JUNE 30TH 1709.

Our duty and great obligations to yo^{r}. Highness, commands us to embrace all opportunitys to acknowledge them and enquire after your health which God continue.

Pursuant to your Commands we have long since made the best collection we could of the rarietys of Europe, Persia, and China, to lay at the Feet of the great King which blessing we are yet deprived of by his Majestys speedy returne, the great distance and the difficulty of procuring carriage occasion'd by the scarcity of provissions on the roads, we are still to seek what Port to send it from that it may arrive secure.

Your Highness Father Assid Cawn (whom God long preserve) as also yourself have always blest us in favouring us with your protection & countenance in our affairs, which we humbly implore y^{e} continuance of, or we can expect noe more sunshining days in these parts, for that our dependance is on your Highness whom we heartily pray may be blessed with long health and prosperity.

Ship Rubarry John Mahomud Noquedah sail'd for Bengall. 2

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.	GOVERN^{R}. AND PRESIDENT.	MOND[AY] 4TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.	
THOMAS FREDERICK.	GULSTON ADDISON.	
RICHARD HUNT.	HENRY DAVENPORT.	

This day the Freighters of Ship Kent were befors us, when demanded a double ffreight for her, by reason they did not returne in Season so as to be dispatched for

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England, to w^ch^. they answered they were prevented by sundry misfortunes that threatend the ruin of Ship and Cargoe which we desired they would put in writing when would consider y^e^ validity thereof.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Warehousekeep^r^ pays into Cash y^e^ sum of Four thousand Pagod.^s^ Acco^t^ Silver & Goods sold.

Ordered that William Belshaw be Entertained Gun^rs^ Crew.

GULSTON ADDISON. THO: PITT.
RICH^D^. HUNT. W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 7TH. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

We having soon after the disturbance of the Casts Entertaind Rammapa Cheif Dubash, who having been guilty lately of severall misdemeanors of an extraordinary nature such as procuring Horse and cloths from the Nabob, and extorting money from Cooleys &c^a^ poor people that we were procuring to carry our Present up to y^e^ King, besides he having given himself so up to drinking w^ch^. made him guilty of severall vices dishonourable to the Companys service for which we this day discharged him of the same and unanimously agreed to Entertain Paupa Braminy in his roome, whos' salarys to commence from the primo this month.

Simon Killpatrick and Lewis Melick pay's into Cash, ffity Pagod^s^. for a quarter of a years rent of y^e^ wine Licence.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. President reads his Acco^t^ of the R^t^ Hon^ble^ United Companys Cash for the month of June last Ballance being Pagod^as^. 14649–7–2.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^ Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of June last, and pays into Cash the Sum of Eleven hundred and two Pagod.^s^ 18^fas^ for Custom on Gold coined and farther pay's to the Warehousekeep^r^ 60 Rupees for Custom on Silver coin'd.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pay's into Cash Three thousand Pagod^s^. on Account Sea Customs.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 18^th^ June now read, advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pag^s^ 202: 10. which is agreed to be pay'd.

Agreed that David Murry one of the Gunners Mates be discharged.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna.*]
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D^. HUNT.

14. Ship Hussain Abdulla Noquedah saild out of this Road for Bengall.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. AND PRESIDENT. — THURSDAY 14^TH^.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Mr. Frederick *at the Mount.*

We hearing of French Ships being abroad this syde the Cape, and not knowing but what has been may bee again, as last year in the month of December Two ffrench Ships cruiz'd to windward of this Port, by w^ch^ severall of the Hon^ble^ Companys Ships were in great danger, so to prevent any misfortune that may happen to them by the like means hereafter, 'tis agreed that the Governour gives such advices and orders to their Bengall Ships as he shall think necessary for their security.

M^r^ Robert Raworth Warehousekeep.^r^ reads his Acco^t^ with the Merchants for the month of June.

M^r^ Gulston Addison Paymast.^r^ reads his Paymast^rs^ Account for the month of June last Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	P. 1308·	25·
Charges Generall	410·	24·
Dyet and allowances	387·	2·
Fortification and repairs	535·	12·
Charges Cattle	88·	24·
Riseing Sun Smack	16·	15·
Charges Extraordinary	21·	35·
Fort S^t^. David	13·	18·
Vizagapatam	4·	9·
	Pa. 2786·	20·

Agreed that Three hundred Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^ Gulston Addison Paymaster to defray Charges of the Black Town Wall and works.

Henry Davenport Storekeeper reads his Storekeep^rs^ Account for the month of June last.

M^r^. Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of June last Viz.^t^

Choultry Custom ... ... Pagod.^s^	224·	15·	4·
Rubie Brokers	122·	24·	5·
Town Brokers	9·	28·	5·
Registring Slav's	1·	28·	
Grass Cutters	4·	6·	4·
Pag.^s^.	362·	32·	–

The following Generall Letters received and sent were this day read.

From the Council in Surat dated 18^th^ May 1709.

To the Cheif and Council of Vizagapat^m^ dated yesterday.

To the Council in the Bay of Bengall Ditto date.

M^r^ Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pay's into Cash One thousand Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^. Sea Customs.

RICH^D^. HUNT. THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
GULSTON ADDISON.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 15TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*]. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day the Freighters of the Kent put in their Answere to our demand as Agreed in Consultation the 4th Instant, which after some debate and all the premisses maturely consider'd, 'twas unanimously Agreed that they should pay a months Demorage, and accordingly were sent for in and acquainted therewith; And their Paper is as Entered after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
[*Lacuna*].
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE THE GOVERNR. AND COUNCIL OF FFORT ST. GEORGE.

We the subscribers ffreighters of Ship Kent humbly take the liberty by your permission to present the following particulars to your consideration in Answer to the demand your honour and the Council were pleasd to make upon us for the said Ship being detain'd beyond the Time limited in China.

The Supa. Cargoes make it appear that they were not wanting in their Endeavours to dispatch the Ship from Canton the 20th of December according to Agreement, and in order thereto the Ship was [careend] and ffitted, and all the Gruff Cargo Laden on board, and all the Gold ready in the ffactory, though not sent on board the Ship, because at that time there were good reasons to fear some unlucky dispute might happen with the ffrench Ship, whose Officers were in a prodigious rage to find our Ship so near being dispatch'd and themselves injuriously detained for want of their Goods thô their time by contract had been elapsd full ffifty days, so that they stuck not to say (to such as were our ffriends and gave the Alarm) that they had no way to make themselves reparation but upon our Ship pretending that they were infirmd, our Supr. Cargoes had underhand hinderd their dispatch, upon hearing these things our SupraCargoes Sumond their Merchants and demanded their dispatch as customary upon their time being near Elapsd the said Merchants earnestly represented that they had heard the threats of the ffrench, and were apprehensive that they would attempt something upon our Ship at departure, which at best would involve them into infinite trouble and charges if not wholly ruin the Voyage, and the Trade itself for the future, these matters putt our Supr. Cargoes upon a necessity of seeking methods of securing themselves which by the help of the Merchants was so farr effected That the Mandereens undertook to guard the river in such a manner that the ffrench should not be able to retire from their ffactory to their Ship, and by means of the Bishop who came hither upon the Ship, and Padre Bernard the Cardinall was prevaild with to gett a Security from the ffrench Captain and his Officers that no hostitlity should be attempted, thus by Messages and the tedious delays of the Mandereens the time was lost till the 19th day of January when the Ship left Canton, and thus your Honr. and Council will see that the true occasion of the Ship's stay was the apprehension that everybody justly had of the Enemy.

And now as we have never heard of any of the Honble Company's Ships in our Circumstances upon this China Voyage, that ever payd more than the Demorage for so many days as they remain'd in China after the time prefix'd in Contract, we never had any thoughts of harder usage than our Predecessors.

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The Armenian Merchant Lett for 240 Tons ffreighted by the Hon^ble^ Company at 36 £ ℔ Ton was Lett at 4100 Pagodas for China Anno 1694 Oblig'd to leave Amoy Decem^r^. the 20^th^ saild the 27^th^ and arriv'd here the 1^st^ of March, adjudg'd in Consultation too late to be sent home payd Seven days demorage; The Kent is at a lower ffreight in England and Lett here to us 1360 Pagodas dearer in proportion, which we humbly hope will help to prevail with your Hon^r^. & Council that we have not harder measure than they, especially since our cases are so farr different, that the ffreighters of the Armenian Merchant wanted a Ship for China, and that the Kent lying upon the Hon^r^. Company's hands we may modestly say, we had an opportunity of doing them a piece of Service in Employing her.

We humbly offer that the Hampshire upwards of 400 Tons Lett at 8000 Pagodas in good times, had time given to the 20^th^ of January, and if longer detain'd to pay demorage for so many days as detain'd beyond her time if we have a harder bargain in the sum and in the time of Contract, we hope it may incline your Honour and the Council to use us at least as well in the Demorage.

The Loyall Merchant Burthen 500 Tons Anno 1705 Lett at 8000 pagodas for China and Persia comes just to the same in the end as our present circumstances, we therefore hope that by the Employing this Ship at the best ffreight that ever was given, we may be favour'd upon this unlucky Accident to Encourage us for the future to ffreight such of the Hon^ble^ Company's Ships as by disappointments may lye upon their hands.

We come now at last to acquaint your honour and the Council that we were before the Streights of Malacca the 2^d^ of ffebruary, and that if we had not met with the cruel disaster of loosing our Anchors and Cables &c^a^ we might have reachd Malacca the following night, at which place haveing no occasion to stay, tis very probable we might have arriv'd here by the 20 of ffebruary. We submitt this to your Hon^rs^. and the Councill's Consideration, desireing to be believ'd with all respect.

Hon^ble^. S^r^. &c^a^.
Your most humble Servants,

EDWARD FFLEETWOOD.
J. COOKE.
GEORGE LEWIS.
J. SCAITERGOOD.
WILLIAM WARRE.
ROBERT ATKINSON.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. & PRESIDENT. — MONDAY 25^TH^.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day was read a Generall Letter from the Dep^ty^. Gov^r^. and Council of ffort S^t^. David dated 19^th^ Instant wherein was a Clause signifying that Mess^rs^. Bridges and ffaunce did utterly refuse to comply with our repeated orders of paying M^r^. Berlu the Perquisits of the Employs in which they had officiated dureing his absence, which was occasion'd by our calling him away to serve the Company in going up with the Present to the King, wherein he would have not only been at no small Expence himself, but also run great hazards of his health, so thought it not reasonable that he should be any other ways prejudic'd in his fortune, so can't but think our Orders therein carry'd more with them than an ordinary weight of reason and justice, and their disobedience to them may prove the worst of consequences to the

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Company's Affairs, to prevent which Tis unanimously agreed that we now write them that if they don't comply with our orders therein relating to that matter that they would be forthwith suspended the Company's service *Officio et Beneficio*, and no salary to be payd them till the Company's pleasure be known therein.

The dispute between Peter Pomere and the other Arrack ffarmers was this day ended by the former giveing his Oath.

Mr Thomas ffrederick Sea-Customer reads his Sea-Custom Acct for the month of June last Vizt. [*Lacuna*] and pays into the Rt Honble Company's Cash Three Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Mr Robert Raworth Warehouskeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the Month of June last and pays into the Rt Honble Company's Cash Six Thousand Pagodas Account Silver and Goods sold.

Agreed that ffifteen Thousand Pagodas be sent to ffort St David by Peons Overland, and that orders be sent them to pack up what Brown Cloth they have and sent hither.

Gruapa &cs Arrack ffarmers pays into Cash the Sum of three Hundred Sixteen Pagodos Twenty four fans on that Acct.

Ponnagettee Narso &cs Tobacco & Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Five Hundred Eighty Three Pagodas 12 fanams on that Account.

The ffreighters of the Kent deliver in the Accot. of ffreight of the said Ship, and pays in the Ballance being Pagodas seven Thousand Seven Hundred ffifty One 20Pas. 45Ca. and the Account is as Enter'd after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.

THE Rt HON.ble UNITED COMPANY Dr.		
To ye ffreightrs of ye Kent for 32 Pecul Sugar damag'd & Loss'd on board sd. Ship is 8 Candy at pa. 14½ ℔ Candy ...	Pa 116.	
Deduct 6 ℔ Ct. Custom and Charges ...	6·34·45	
		109· 1·35
To ditto for 13 Ps Tootanague wanting ℔r. Ct 16 at 45 ℔ Ct.	36	
Deduct 6 ℔ Ct. Custom and Charge ...	2·6	
		33·30.—
To Cash pay'd ye Balla. of this Acct. ...	...	7751·20·45
	Pags	7894·16.—

PER CONTRA. Cr.		
By the ffreighters of the Kent for ye. ffreight of ye sd. Ship as Pr. Agreement	7000	
By Ditto for 30 days Demorage sd. Ship being detain'd in China so many days longer than the time limited in the Agreement at £13 8s. 4d. a day is £402 s 10 at 9 shillings ℔ Pagoda is		894·16·0
Pags		7894·16·0

ffort St. George, July 1709

EDWARD FFLEETWOOD.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

AUGUST WEDNESDAY 3D.

THOMAS PITT ESQ.R, GOVERNR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

The Governour this day acquainted the Council that he haveing lately heard of some Villainous and Scandalous reflections that had been made upon him by the Late Lieutenant Seaton who he yesterday sent for from the Mount and examin'd thereon, who with his usuall impudence averrd to him the notorious falsitys that ever could be thought or imagin'd, upon which, he say'd he had confined him to the Ensign's Room, and he desired that he might be sent for up and examin'd thereto which accordingly was done, and when he came into the Consultation room before us, without first hearing what the Governour had to charge him with, and the reasons of his confinement, he imediately addressed himself to the Council, saying Gentlemen of Council I am come here to accuse the Governour for buying a great Diamond to the Company's prejudice, when the Governour answered and told him we would discourse of that by and by, and demanded of him whether he had say'd that he had receiv'd of Paupea to make him Chief Dubash Five Hundred Pagodas, and that Ramapa offered seven Hundred to be continued which was refused, this he acknowledged to have said, but being comanded to prove the same, he answered he had it from a Black fellow, but could not remember who he was after which the Two Dubashes beforemention'd declared they never gave the Governour a Pagoda, or that ever he ask'd or hinted to them of any such thing, and to this they took the most solemnest Oath in the Pagoda. Then the Governr. demanded of him what he knew of his buying a Diamond, he Answered in generall terms that he knew every particular of it, when he was commanded to acquaint the Council with it which he said he would then do, knowing there would be a change of Government this month, and therefore for what this Governr said to him did not signifie a farthing, with many such insolent and Villainous expressions, he farther sayd that to his knowledge the Governour was betrayd by all the Black Servants about him in so much that he knew every thing that was done and sayd, nay as much as in his Counting house, and to give an Instance thereof say'd that the Great Diamond he had bought was enter'd in his Books Fol. 64, he farther told us that One Rogers that went hence in October last for Bombay had carry'd papers along with him sign'd by Black People that would do the Governrs business, which Sr Nicholas Wait had gott translated, and carryd home with him.

The Governour also Acquainted the Council that he had very good reason to Suspect that this Seaton was turnd Informer to the Government, and held a Correspondence with them, and promis'd in few days to prove the same, in expectation of which, and what the Governour charg'd him with, and he confess'd before us, we now unanimously confirm his Confinement till other means can be considered of, and for what discourse passed between the Governour and him yesterday in the Consultation room after his comeing from the Mount is as Enterd after this Consultation the truth of which he shall be allwaies ready to justifie by Oath or otherwise.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Acct. Cash for the Month of July last Ballance being Pags [*Lacuna*].

Thomas Pitt Esqr. as Mintmaster reads his Mint Acct. for the Month of July last and pays into Cash 71Pa 18fa for Custom on Gold coin'd and farther pays unto the Warehouskeeper Two Thousand Two Hundred ffourty Nine rupees 11ans for Custom on Silver coin'd.

Mr. William Martin pays into Cash the Sum of One Thousand Ninety Two Pagodas 18fa. 21ca as the Ballce of his Sea Customer's Account.

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Mr. Richd Hunt Accomptant reads the Journall parcells of Accounts for the month of June last.

Ordered that John ffenney, James Borge, James ffarry and John De Silva are Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROBt. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHd. HUNT.

This evening being the 2d of August about 5 a clock I discoursd Captain Seaton in the Consultation roome, when charged him with his having sayd that I had 500 Pagods given me to make Poppa Cheif Dubash which he owned, and told me yt I was betrayed in whatever I did, or spoak by all my servants about me, and that I had not a Freind upon the place whatever I thought.

Then I asked how he durst presume to talk up and down of what I bought or sold, and how was it possible for him to know anything of it, to which he answered that he had so good intelligence that there was not the least thing done or said by me but that he knew, and to convince me desired leave to ask me some questions which I permitted him to do and were as followes. Whether Mr. Roberts did not write me to request that he might be concerned in a great Diamond I had bought answered false. Whether a Person did not come and wish me joy of its being sold for 500,000 Dollars false. Whether Two Persons did not come from the Duan to demand a great Diamond and that I gave one of them at coming 11 Rupees, and the other at going away 150, all false only that one man came upon which I told him I found him a Villain and as I found he had been endeavouring to betray me doubtless he would doe the same to the Garrison, soe ordered the Captain of the Guard to confine him to the Ensigns Roome, none to come to him but the Council.

AT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 11TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day Lieutenant Seaton was brought up again before us, when the Governour told him, that since there was yet no change of Government 'twas high time to make him know there was some, and read to him what he had sayd to him on the 2d. Instant in the Consultation room and what he sayd the next day there, before the Governr and Council, and demanded of him to prove the same, instead thereof he impudently denyd all he had sayd in private to the Governour as also in publick to the Governour and Council with strange imprecations and asseverations of God's Vengeance upon him if ever he had sayd it, this from any other man in the World would have amaz'd us all, but by the many years experience of him, we are intirely satisfied that he is a Person capable of perpetrateing any Villainy that can be named. The Governour now also produc'd Two Letters, One from Mr Raworth and the other from Mr Coppin both proveing what the Governour in private, and before the Council Seaton was charged with and a great deal more which Letters were now read and the persons present that wrott them, who was ready to tender their Oaths to the truth, yet nevertheless he denyd all as beforemention'd, both which Letters likewise prove his haveing been tampering and Corresponding with the Government and many other vile Actions, wch. Letters remain in the Governour's hands to prove the same when ever there is an occasion, so we demanded of him whether he had

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any thing more to say for himself, to which he answered he had not, and as he withdrew denyd again all that he was chargd with, but we being all well acquainted with his vile Principles, and that there is no ill action can be named, but what we beleive he has been guilty of as well as what now chargd with, and that he has been for many years the Plague, Pest, and Disturber of the peace of the place, and now to compleat his villainy aims at nothing than the betraying of the Governour and Trade of the place, which has been so long enjoyd without the least question or interruption therefore to prevent future ill consequences from any such Persons Inhabiting here, 'tis unanimously agreed that he be confin'd till the first Ship goes for England, and on her to be sent home a Prisoner to the Company.

The following Generall Letters were now read:

ffrom the Dep^{ty} Gov^{r}. & Council of ffort S^{t} David dat^{d} 3^{d} Augst. 1709.

ffrom M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam the 28th July 1709 adviseing of his haveing drawn 2 Bills of Exchange, One for Twenty One Pagodas the other of Seventeen which are agreed to be payd.

Agreed that four Horses be sold Viz^{t}. 2 Manilha Horses at One Hundred and Twenty Pagodas each and Two Java at One Hundred and Ten.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Ship Moraad Bux arriv'd in this Road from S^{t} Thoma. 11.

Ship Pedreson saild out of this Road for Junk Celone. 13.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R} & PRESIDE^{T}. MONDAY 15TH

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

M^{r}. Gulston Addison Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the Month of July last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}:	1181. 9
Dyet and allowances		342. 32
Charges Generall		354. 8
Fortifications and repairs		488. 24
Charges Cattle		93. 2
Charges Extraordinary		9. 14
Fort S^{t}. David		21. 17
Riseing Sun Smack		10. 14
Pa ...		2051. 12

as also his Acc^{t}. of the Black Town Wall and Works for ditto time, Agreed that ffifteen Hundred Pagodas be advanced the Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Henry Davenport Storekeeper reads his Storekeeper's Acc^{t}. for the Month of July last.

The following Generall Letters receiv'd were now read:
from the Govern^{r} & Council of Negapatam dat^{d}. 20th August.
from M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam dat^{d}. 4th. August 1709.
From ffort S^{t}. David dat^{d} 12th Ins^{t}.

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Mr. Thomas ffrederick Sea Customer reads his Sea Customrs. Acct. for the Month of July last, and pays into the Rt Honble Company's Cash the Sum of One Thousand Pagodas Acct. Sea Customs.

Agreed that we write to the Deptly Governr and Council of ffort St. David that they Load hither the Riseing Sun Smack with Bales and give them the necessary cautions of comeing near Pondicherry.

Mr Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Custom Accts for the month of July last Viz.

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	Pa. 316 : 26 : 37
Town broakers	...	...	...	28 : 2 : 57
Ruby broakers	...	...	...	141 : 12 : 25
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	3 : 12 : 0
			Pags.	489 : 47 : 39

and pays into Cash Five Hundred Pagodas on that Acct.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.

15TH. Sloop Darling Capt Wilfred Hart Comandr. arriv'd from ffort Sr. David.
— Dutch Ship St. Peter and St. Paul arriv'd in this road from Negapatam.
— Ship Rasahee saild out of the Road for Tenessaree.
— Ship Nanganot Rasahee saild for Ditto.
16TH. Danes Ship arriv'd from Trincombarr.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 18TH. THOMAS PITT ESQR GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK.	GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.	HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day the Governour Acquainted the Council that Surapau offered his Service to go up with the Present to the King whose abilitys and knowledg of the Company's Affairs and the Customs of the Government (after discoursing him thereon) induc'd us unanimous in accepting the same, when promis'd him that on his return, if his integrity and diligence answerd our expectation, that he should be allowed as a recompence for his good Services One Hundred Pagodas ℔ Mensem to be pay'd him out of the Company's Cash during his naturall Life.

Upon the advice of some of these Country people after we had taken the resolution to send the King's Present to Metchlepatam, 'twas thought some English necessary to see it Landed at that place, and we thinking none properer than Mr Berlu, 'tis therefore Agreed that he be sent for to come upon the Smack.

Mr. Robert Raworth Warehousekeeper read his Warehouse Accounts for the month of July last.

Mr Thomas ffrederick Sea Customer pays into the Rt Honble Company's Cash Two Thousand Pagodas Acct. Sea Customs.

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. Here being [*Lacuna*] a German by Nation who perfectly well understands casting of Mortars and Guns of any Size as also how to play 'em, who will be very serviceable in this Garrison 'tis agreed that he be Entertain'd in the Gunner's Crew at Eight Pagodas ℔ Mens^{m}.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}· RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D} HUNT.

Ship S^{t} Johanna belonging to the Danes arriv'd in this road from Trincombarr. 18TH·
Ship Saboyhee saild out of this road for Pegu. 19TH·
Ship Sweepstakes Cap^{t} Tho^{s} Gaywood Coñand^{r} saild for Bengall. 21 ^{s}·

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R} & PRESIDE^{T}. TUESDAY 23^{D}.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

This day was read in Council a Letter from M^{r} Noden at Metchlepatam adviseing that the Gusbardarr to conduct our Present to the King was arriv'd there, upon which was sumond to advise with us thereon, Augu Peera, Surapa, Narrain Chief Dubash, Mulla, Collaway and Vincattee Chittee, when 'twas unanimously agreed by us and them to send that part of the Present that was easiest of Carriage forthwith on the Riseing Sun Smack to Metchlepatam, and the remainder which is Lumbersom to be sent to Bengall, and from thence to Pattna, or Suratt as hereafter shall be thought most adviseable. The aforesaid Person likewise proposd the buying of Six Elephants to add to the Present, which if gott well up to the Camp would be valued at four times their cost, besides there would be a necessity to give something to the Princess to whom nothing more valuable than a good Elephant, and at this time there being severall upon the place, and to be bought much cheaper than what formerly 'tis therefore Agreed that Auga Peera &c^{a} afores^{d}. Persons meet this afternoon with the Elephant Brokers and view what are fitting for this occasion, and inform themselves the true value thereof.

Collaway and Vincattee Chittee pays into the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} Company's Cash the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Five Pagodas being one year's rent of Egmore &c^{a}. Three new Towns ending the p^{mo}. July last Cawn Goyhe's Duty included.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Riseing Sun Smack Arriv'd from ffort S . David. 24
A Dane sloop Arriv'd from Trincombarr. 25

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.	HENRY DAVENPORT.

AUGUST 25^TH. [THURSDAY]

The Persons that were appointed 23^d Instant to view the Elephants fitt to be bought for the Present to the King made their report this day that they had pursuant to our order seen all the Elephants in the place and had pitch'd upon six fitt for our purpose, so sending for the owners thereof we agreed with them as follows after this Consultation.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper forthwith ships the Present for Metchlepatam on the Riseing Sun Smack and that the Remainder be sent on the John and Elizabeth for Bengall.

Agreed that Thirty Rashpoots or Moors Peons be entertain'd to go up with the Present, and that the Vizagapatam Mulla goes also up.

A Letter from Zoodee Cawn Lord High Steward to the Governour as also one for the Mulla both now read and are as Enterd in the Country Letter Booke.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH^D. HUNT.

	Pa.
One Elephant bought of Auga Makeem	1100
One D^o. of Vinkattee Chittee	1300
Two D^o. of D^o.	2300
One of Ditto	1000
One of Sunca Rama	1300
PAG^s. ...	7000

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK.	GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT.	HENRY DAVENPORT.

FRIDAY 26^TH.

We wanting a carefull Person to look after the Elephants and Paupa Dubash haveing been in Such an Employ, Tis agreed he be Entertain'd for that service, and to give a dayly Account to the Governour of the expence thereof.

M^r. Morgan Surgeon's Mate requesting to lay down the Company's service Agreed the same be granted him and that Jn^o. Westerby be entertain'd in his room.

Ponnagettee Narso &c^s Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash the sum Five Hundred Eighty Three Pagodas 12^fs on that Account.

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Gruapa &c[a] Arrack ffarmers pays into Cash the sum of Three Hundred and Sixteen Pagodas 24 fanams.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO; FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICH[D]. HUNT.

Ship S[t]. Joanna saild for Bengall. 28

Ship Princess Sophia Hedewig belonging to the Danes arriv'd from Gombroon in Persia. —

Ship John and Elizabeth Cap[t]. Read Com̃and[r]. saild for Beng[ll]. —

Danes Ship sail'd for Malacca. 29

Ship Hidresolloma saild for Suratt. —

Riseing Sun Smack saild out of this Road for Metchlep[m]. 30

SEPTM[R].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERN[R]. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.	THURS-
THOMAS FFREDERICK.	GULSTON ADDISON.	DAY p[mo].
RICHARD HUNT.	HENRY DAVENPORT.	

Agreed that Seven Thousand Pagodas be pay'd out of Cash for Six Elephants bought the 25[th] past.

The following Letters rec[d]. and sent now read.

From the Dep[ty]. Govern[r]. & Council of ffort S[t]. David dat[d]. 27[th] August from M[r]. Roberts Dep[ty]. Gov[r]. of ffort S[t]. David 25[th] August as also our answer thereto of this day's date.

Agreed that ffifteen Hundred Pagodas be advanc'd M[r]. Gulston Addison Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Agreed that Four Thousand Pagodas be advanced M[r]. Rob[t]. Raworth &c[a] towards paying for the Present to King Shaalum.

Agreed that the following Pearl be bought to be added to the King's Present Viz[t].

	[chou]	
1 Large half round Pearl ...	[p[r]] 147	pa. 400
1 Drop	13½	100
Large round pearl ...	22½ at 6	pa. 135

THO: FREDERICK. THO: PITT.
GULSTON ADDISON. W: MARTIN
RICH[d]. HUNT. ROB[t]. RAWORTH.

Sloop Darling Cap[t]. Wilfred Hart Comand[r]. sail'd for Bencoolen. P[mo].

Madapollam Yatch saild for ffort S[t]. David. 2[d].

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4 Ship Ramswami saild for Bengall.
5 Ship Nos Senr^a^. De Rosario saild for Ditto.
— Ship Mooselam saild for Pegu.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. Govern^r^. & President.

Wednesday:

William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas ffrederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richaed Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

Letter from Mess^rs^. Bridges and ffaunce at ffort S^t^. David dated 29^th^ August read, the purport of which is to let us Know that they positively persist in their refusall to comply with our Orders about being accountable to M^r^. Berlu for the perquisit of the Employs in which they officiated dureing his absence, when we sent for him away upon Extraordinary business of the Companys.

M^r^. Arran Jones dos this day deliver in a Petition to lay down the Company's service which is granted him and his Petition is as Enterd after this Consultation

The Governour haveing discovered a very great abuse in the Expence of Straw for a little more than a year past of above Two Hundred Pagodas, which we impute to the Villainy of the Inhabitants of our Towns rented by Collaway and Vincattee Chittee, who ought to have brought the Acc^t^. thereof to the Govern^r^. as usuall who often demanded it, so for the remission of which we hereby order the Accomptant to charge in the Generall Books the whole Amount being 283. 25 : 40 and that for the future that as they bring in any they acquaint the Governour thereof, that he may order the Groom to weigh it, as usuall.

This day was sumon'd in Consultation the following Persons to consider farther about sending the Present to the king whose advices was as follows Viz^t^.

Auga Peera's opinion is to send the King's Present by way of Golcondah.
Serapa's Opinion is to send it by way of Bengall & Patna.
Narrain's opinion is to send it by way of Golcondah.
Collaway Chittee of the same opinion.
Paupa Braminy's opinion is if the King is gone to Delhi to send it by way of Bengall and Pattna if at Brampore by way of Golconda.
Mullah's Opinion by way of Golcondah.

Thomas Pitt Esq^r^. President reads his acc^t^ cash for the month of August Ballance 16437.25 fa.

Thom^s^. Pitt Esq^r^. as Mintmaster reads his Mint acc^t^. for the month of August last and pays into Cash pa 97 : fa. 31 : c. 40 for Custom on Gold coin'd and farther pays into the Warehousekeeper Ten Thousand seven Hundred and Eighty Two rupees for Custom on Silver Coin'd.

M^r^. Richard Hunt Land Customer reads his Land Customer's Acc^t^. for August last Viz

Choultry Custom	Pag^s^.	494	26 31
Rubie broakers		57	8 62
Town broakers		—	25 52
Registring Slaves		5	20 —
Grass Cutters		6	8 20
	Pag^s^.	564 :	17 : 5

and pays into Cash Five Hundred Pagodas on that Acc^t^.

Agreed that M^r^. Joseph Smart be Assistant to the Paymaster.

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Agreed that Thome Sequere Dick Derick, and ffrank Peter and Dominicus Dericus are Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT.

To the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President & Governr of ffort St George
&c. Council.

Honble Sr. &c.

I haveing an opportunity of going abroad, which in all probability considering I have the charge of a ffamily may be for my advantage I therefore humbly request that your honr &cn. will be pleased to grant me the usuall favour, and permitt me to lay down the Honble Company's service, and on all occasions I shall endeavour to approve myself.

Honble Sr. &c.
Yr. Honrs Most Obedient Humble Servant
ARRAN JONES.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
SEP. 7TH 1709.

ffort St George Sep. 7th

Ship Joha Latehemy saild for Pegu, 7th,
Ship Chindadre saild to ditto, —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

Fryday 9th

The Governour Acquainted the Board that he was advised that the King was gone from Oringabad towards Delhi whither he thought 'twas impossible for the Present to follow him about which he sumon'd this Council and orderd the following Persons to Appear to consider thereof whose opinions are as follows.

Auga Peera is of opinion that we proceed imediately with the Present.

Serapa's Opinion that we proceed.

Choura Mullah's Opinion the same.

Narrain of going, That the Present must goe or our Affairs would be worse than the Dutch.

Sunca Rama that the Present goe.
Colleway Chittee is for sending the Present.
Vincattee Chittee is for sending.
Paupa Cheif Dubash to send the Present.
Mulla is of the same opinion.

It's the Opinion of the Board the Present be imediately sent.

RICHD. HUNT. ROBT. RAWORTH. THO: PITT.
THO: FREDERICK. W: MARTIN.
GULSTON ADDISON.

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10TH Ship Bomrapau saild for Pegu.
— Ship Mossiah saild for Ditto.
12 Ship Dona Latchemy saild for Ditto.
— Ship Princess Sophia Hedewig the Dane's Ship saild for Beng.ll
13 Ship St Petre & St Paul saild for Pullicatt.

At a Consultation

Present

WEDNESDAY 14TH. Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr and Presidt.

William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas ffrederick.	Gulston Addison.
Richard Hunt.	Henry Davenport.

Mr Bridges at ffort St David haveing in a Letter dated, which was now requesting Liberty to go home on a Danes Ship, which we think inconsistant to the Company's orders so refused the same.

We this day mett in Consultation to consider what to do with the Present to the King, for that the great distance he is from us will not only make it very chargeable but excessive hazardous, for that the roads are infested by the Morattos and other Enemys to the King, so 'tis resolved to sitt still and proceed no farther, till we have an answer to our Letter we sent to Court about 3 months agoe.

Generall Letter from Gabriel Roberts Esq.r deptv. Governr. of ffort St. David dated 6th Ins.t now read.

Order'd that the Steward buys Syrash Wine, Rose water and Fruit for the Generall Table as the Governour shall direct him.

Mr. Gulston Addison Paymaster reads his Paymaster's Account for the Month of August Viz.t

Charges Garrison			...	Pags	1260·34·—
Dyet and allowances	...	...	...	,,	330·18·—
Charges Generall	...	...	...	,,	387·20·—
Fortifications and repairs	...	...	...	,,	396·34·—
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	,,	201· 2·—
Charges Extraordinary	...	...		,,	16·19.—
Riseing Sun smack	...	...	...	,	107·31.—
Accot Presents	...	...	...	,,	9· 9.—
				Pags	2710.23.—

as also his Account for the Black Town Wall and works for ditto time.

Agreed that ffifteen Hundred Pagodas be advanc'd him to defray Charges Garrison and One Hundred Pagodas to the Black Town Wall.

Tho : Pitt.
W : Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.
Gulston Addison.
Richd. Hunt.
Robt. Raworth.

17TH About four a Clock this Evening spy'd a Large ship to the Northward which prov'd to bethe Heathcote Capt Jo Tolson Comandr.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ.r GOVERNr & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHARD HUNT. HENRY DAVENPORT.

SUNDAY 18TH

Yesterday Evening Appear'd a Ship to the Northward of this Port and about Nine at night came ashore Capt Tolson who acquainted the Governour that he was Comander of the Ship Heathcote come directly from England and that he had brought the Company's Packet which he produc'd directed as follows.

TO THE HON.ble GULSTON ADDISON ESQ.r PRESIDENT. MESS.rs FRASER, MOUNTAGUE, MARTIN, RAWORTH, FFREDERICK, HUNT, BULKLEY & JENNINGS AT FFORT St. GGORGE.

And withall told him there was great Alterations here and that he was dismiss'd the Service therefore press'd that the Council might be immediately called, The Governour told him that 'twas impossible to be done not only from the lateness of the night, but that severall of them were at the Mount, so desired the Captain to strictly observe in what Condition he delivered the Packet and be here to morrow Morning by 8 a Clock against when the Council should be sumond, that so he might see it in the like condition he deliver'd it, and this Morning accordingly all the Late Council mett, when the Governour refused to surrender the Government by vertue of the Superscription on the Packet, but demanded a supercedent to his Comission, by vertue of which he had been Governour of this place upwards of Eleven Years, so after some hesitation the Packet was opend wherein there was a Comission that superceded his, he also demanded the reading of the Generall Letter which was refused him, but in the Packet there being a Letter from the Managers to him wherein 'twas fully expressd his dismission from their service, and the Constituteing Gulston Addison Esq.r in his room, so he immediately read the Cash and tender'd the Ballance thereof being One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Five Pagodas, Twenty fanams and 3 cash ; but the New Governour desired the payment for that time be deferr'd for that he was very much indispos'd, so the Governour just as he left the Chair challeng'd the whole Board or any upon the place to charge him with an unjust action dureing the whole time of his Government, or that he had ever refus'd a kindness to any one that askd it and that it lay in his power or that ever he acted arbitrary in any one matter notwithstanding some Villains of this place have had the impudence to represent him otherwise so rose out of the Chair, and placd ye New Governer in it.

RICHD : HUNT. ROBT: RAWORTH. THO : PITT.
THO : FREDERICK. W : MARTIN.

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The Consultation and Diary Book of Gulston Addison Esq^{r}. Governour and President &c^{a}. Council Their proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Trade of the Eng^{sh}. Company Tradeing to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromondell &c^{a}. Begun the 19th September Anno Domini 1709.

At a Consultation

Present

MONDAY 19TH

GULSTON ADDISON ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. AND PRESIDEN^{T}.
WILLIAM FFRASER. EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FFREDERICK. RICH^{D}. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

The Commission for appointing Gulston Addison Esqr. Governr, &ca. read

PRESIDENT ADDISON acquaints the Councill that the late President Pitt had yesterday resign'd the Chair and deliver'd up the Keys of the Garrison to him and that he would the same day have summon'd this Councill had he not Labour'd under most severe pains which almost render'd his Limbs in a manner useless to him from which time to this he declares that the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} Companys pacquett by the Heathcote has been in his Custody and that no man whatever has had the perusall of one Single paper. And now Orders the Sec^{y}. to read his Commission from the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} Court of Mannagers for the United Trade appointing him their President and Governour of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. w^{ch}. was accordingly done. Att the same time the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} Mannagers Generall Letter was lickwise read.

the Late Presidt. reads his Accot. and pays ye Balle. Pa. 1935. 20fa 3ca.

The late President Pitt's Acco^{tt}. Cash is now read and the Ballance appearing to bee Pagodas one thousand nine hundred thirtyfive, Fannams twenty and cash three for which he requiring a receipt from under the hands of the now President and Councill itt was accordingly given him and the said Ballance was paid in to President Addison, the coppy is as Entr'd after this Consultation.

the Heatcots Treasure ordd to be examd.

Ordered that Mess^{rs} Martin and Raworth with the two Essay Masters doe examine all the Silver and Gold which came on the Heathcote and make their Report thereof to this board And that all the Silver be immediately coin'd into Rupees.

Copy of ye Parags. of ye Genll. Letter ℔ Heathcote requested ℔ ye Late president relating to him.

The late President requesting coppys of all such paragraphs of the Generall Letter as any ways relate to him itt was putt to the vote whether itt should be allow'd or not, and itt proveing the sentiments of all, that itt was, itt would be no ways detrimental to our Hon^{ble} Masters it is therefore Ordered that the Sec^{ry}. draw out such Paragraphs and deliver the same to him.

ROB^{T}. RAWORTH. GULSTON ADDISON.
THO: FREDERICK. WILL: FRASER.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
EDW^{D}. BULKLEY. W: MARTIN.
WM. JENNINGS.

LIST OF THE PACKETT TO FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE HEATHCOTE.

1. Companys Commission under their Common Seal for appointing the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. George dated y^{e}. 21^{e} January 1708.
2. Compa^{y} Generall Letter to the Fort dated 4th ffeb^{ry} 1708.
3. Coppy Comp^{y} Generall Letter to D^{o}. dated 20th Aprill 1708 sent ℔ Dispatch.
4. Invoice of Ship Heathcote Amounting to £83303 : 13 : 10.
5. Bill Loading of Ditto.
6. Coppy of the Heathcots Charterparty.

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7. List of Goods to be provided att the Fort.

8. Coast Warehousekeepers Acco^{t}. of Goods wanting by the Dutchess sign'd by M^{r}. James Newton.

9. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be Shipp'd on the Heathcote.

10. Copys of the Entrys of the Separate Stock Ships Viz^{t}. the Concord and Riseing sun.

11. Copy of a Protest rec^{d}. from Bencoolen 10th Nov^{r}. 1708 by the Carlton ffrigot.

12. List of a Merch^{t}. severall writers free Merch^{ts} and others for y^{e} ffort.

13. List of Souldiers for the Fort on the Heathcote.

14. Old Companys Letter dated 28th January 1708 directed to all and every the persons whatsoever that have been employ'd in the Service of the Govern^{r} and Company of Merch^{ts} of London trading to the East Indies at Fort S^{t}. George and elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandell etc^{a}.

15. New Companys Letter dated the 20th January 1708 directed to all Presidents Merch^{ts} ffactors and other persons whomsoever Employ'd in the Service of the English Company trading to the East Indies at Fort S^{t}. George or elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandell on Acco^{t} of their separate affairs.

16. Comp^{s} General Letter to the Fort, dated 28th Jan^{ry} 1708.

17. Packett from the Secrett Committee dated y^{e} 3^{d} ffeb^{ry} 1708 directed for the Govern^{r} of Fort S^{t}. George for the time being this with N^{o}. 16 were enclosed seald up in a cover directed Viz^{t}. for the Hon^{ble} Gulston Addison Esq^{r}. and the rest of the Councill for all the Affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}.

18. Packett directed for the Hon^{ble} Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. at Fort S^{t}. George.

Wee the President and Councill of Fort S^{t}. George for affairs of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} United English East India Company doe hereby acknowledge to have Rec^{d} of the Hon^{ble} Thomas Pitt Esq^{r}. late Govern^{r} and President of Fort S^{t}. George the sume of pagod^{s}. one thousand nine hundred thirty five Fannams twenty and Cash three which as appears to be the Ballance of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} United Companys Cash to the 18th September 1709 for which Wee give him this our Receipt Fort S^{t}. George 19th Septem^{r} 1709.

GULSTON ADDISON.
WILLIAM FRASER.
EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.
EDW^{D}. BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

19TH. Maddapollam Yatch arrived wth Bales from Fort S^{t}. David.

20TH. Received advises from Negapatam that the Frederick and Hallifax were arrived there and According to the Orders they there mett with, directed to the Commanders of all English Shipping had unladen their Treasure to secure itt from the French they haveing three Ships from Europe arrived at Ponticherry, Upon which new Orders were immediately dispatched adviseing that the three French Ships were sailed from Ponticherry with their prize and that there was no danger of their comeing a Long shoar.

21. Arrived here the Tankervill Capt^{a}. Charles Newnam Commd^{r}. bound for Bombay.

Arrived the New George Capt^{a}. James Osbourne Commd^{r}. bound for Ditto.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 22ND.

GULSTON ADDISON ESQR. GOVR. AND PRESIDT.
WILLIAM FRASER. EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBT. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHD. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Sea Customrs Accot read pd into Cash pas. 1000.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer reads his Acco^tt for the month of August last and pays into Cash pagodas one thousand on that Acco^tt.

Custome on Goods Imported and Exported

			Pa	4114 : 12 : 20
Custome on Grain	...	...	...	23 : 21 : 12
Anchorage	...	...	...	69 : — —
				4206 : 33 : 32

Storekeepers Accot read.

Mr. Robert Raworth reads his Acco^t for the month of August last as Warehousekeeper.

Agreed that the Heathcote forthwith despatch'd home.

The Season of the year being soe far advanced renders itt very hazardous for a Ships gaining her passage to Bengall besides the bad weather that may reasonabley be supposed she must encounter with has putt us upon thinking how wee can otherwise dispose of the Heathcote that these dangers may be avoided on which wee ordered immediately that an acco^tt. of what Goods wee had in the Goedowns be laid before us by the Warehousekeeper and itt appearing their was sufficent to load her, and believing soe early a dispatch (when she cannot fail of joyning the dutch ffleet att the Cape) will meet with the approbation of our honrble Mastrs. itt is therefore agreed she be Loaden with all convenient speed and be dispatch'd home, And that the Warehousekeeper does forthwith putt on board her the Charter party allowance of Salt Petre and Reddwood.

Employs of the Council settled.

This day Wee proceeded to Settling the Councils Employs (on which they are to Enter the 1st of October next) and finde when Mr. Fraser goes for Fort St. David that of course they will stand thus.

Mr. Edmd Mountague Bookeeper.

Mr. William Martin Warehousekeeper.

Mr. Robert Raworth Sea Customer.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Paymaster.

Mr. Richard Hunt Land Customer.

Mr. Edward Bulkley Storekeeper.

Mr. William Jennings Collector of the Quitt Rents.

10 Chests of Silver wanting ye Heathcote for wch. reed. one Chest Gold from the Tankervill

Mr. Robert Raworth now Warehouse keeper accquainting us that there was ten Chests of Silver wanting to make good the Heathcots Invoice and Bill Loading Captn Toulson was sent for and the above said Chest, demanded of him on which he produced an order from the Committee appointed to provide and send on board the United Companys Shipping their Bullion ordering the delivery of said ten Chests to Capta Newnam Commander of the Tankervill and to receive from him a Chest of Gold marked G both which wee finde is duely comply'd with and the Chest of Gold in our possession but being att a Loss for an Account thereof, itt is agreed that Mr. Raworth and the Secty. doe goe on board the Tankervill with an order (to Capta Newnam) from the President and Councill to permitt them to open the Bombay packett and take from the Invoice a particular Acco^tt. of the Contents of said Chests of Gold and carefully seal itt up again the aforesaid Order to the Capta is as Entrd after this Consultation.

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This day Wee took into consideration the Necessity of speedily concluding on an Investment for that after the Heathcote is dispatch'd wee shall not have remaining in our goedowns above one hundred and fifty Bales and that all wee can expect from Fort S^{t} David and Vizagapatam with the six hundred bales from Bengall in return of the like number sent them will not make above twelve hundred bales and that Wee are sure the Kent and Sommers will be sent us from Bengall to be dispatch'd hence in January Itt is therefore Ordered that notes bee affix'd att the Sea Gates & Choultry Gates declaring our Intentions of makeing an Investment and desireing the black Merchants of this place to appear in the Consultation Roome on Wednesday the 28th Inst^{t}. Notice ordrd to be given to ye Merchts. yt ye Company would make an Investmt.

Mess^{rs}. Martin & Raworth reports that the Silver rec^{d}. by the Heathcote they have carefully Examined and that itt comes out right with the Invoice. Silver p Heathcote comes right wth Invoice.

M^{r}. Henry Davenport Late Secretary haveing this day petition'd to lay down the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companys Service which was accordingly Granted him and his petition as Entr'd after this Consultation. Mr Davenport lay's down the service

Ordered that William Warre doe succeed him as Secretary and that all books and papers relating to the Secretarys Employ be delivered him. Wm Warre ord.d to be Sec.ry

Ordered that John Legg doe goe with our recomendation to the May^{r} and Aldermen of this Corporation in Order to be elected Register of their Court in the place of William Warre. John Legg Ord.d Register.

Ordered the Alex^{a} Bennett be assistant to the Warehousekeeper in roome of John Legg. Alex.a Bennet Ord.d into ye Warehouse.

Hercules Courtney and Alexander ffulerton were this day sent for and produced the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companys Commission for Lieutenants in their service. Lieutenants Courtney & ffullerton sent for

Ordered that they be entr'd into pay from the day of their Arrivall and have the same allowance as Lieutenant Gale Ordered into pay

THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
EDW^{D} BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.
GULSTON ADDISON.
WILL: FRASER.
EDM^{D} MOUNTAGUE.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.

TO THE HON^{BLE} GULSTON ADDISON ESQ^{R}.

GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R.^{T} HON^{BLE} UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE} S^{R}. &C^{A}.

Last Consultation day I desired your leave to Lay down the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companys service in which I have served near fifteen years and that in the most fatigueings Employs here three years sub secretary and nine as Secretary, wherein I hope I have discharged myselfe to the satisfaction of the Governour and Councill of this place for that I ever made itt my study, and business to discharge myselfe with Honour Integrity and dilligence as the only means I thought to recommend me to the R.^{t} Hon :^{ble} Companys Favour and preferment and is what they soe streneiously write in all their Generall Letters to this place as one of their Chiefest maxims of their Government to have a speciall regard to seniority in their service when such person has approved himselfe Dilligent and capable thereof, and deserving of their countenance but they haveing been pleased to alter that Method now by placeing Juniours over my head I begg the Favour of your Hon^{r}. &c.^{a} Councill to permitt me to lay

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down the Companys service for w.ch itt shall ever be esteem'd as a favour confirr'd upon.

Hon^ble S^r &c^a
Your most Obed.t humble Serv.t
HEN. DAVENPORT.

FORT S^T . GEORGE,
20^TH SEPTEMBER 1709.

To CAPTA CHARLES NEWNAM
COMMAND.R OF Y^E TANKERVILL
S^r .

Haveing no Acco^tt. or Invoice of the Chest of Treasure mark'd C traverst from your Ship to the Heathcote have sent off M^r. Raworth and Warre to open your Packett for Bombay and take a coppy of the Acco.^tt of said Chest out of the Invoice which Wee order you to permitt them to doe and this shall bee your Sufficient Warrant Fort S^t. George September 23^d 1709.

GULSTON ADDISON.
WILLIAM FRASER.
EDM^d. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOM^s. FREDERICK.
RICH^d. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

24. This night between 11 & 12 a Clock a Gun was fir'd from on board the Tankervill & about 3 in the morning advice came to the Govern^r. that there was a Mutiny on board said Ship, as soon as itt was light the President sent off two boats with Souldiers to bring on shoar such persons as the Capt^a. & his officers had found faulty w^ch. boats return'd w^th. four men Viz.^t John Read Boatswaine Francis Robinson Boatswains mate John Hannah Midshipman William Plyer Sailor.

The Maddapollam Yatch saild Fort S.^t David.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 26TH

GULSTON ADDISON ESQ.R, GOV.R & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. EDM.D MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Seaton's petition read

Upon Capt.^a Seatons Petitioning this board that he might be brought to a Tryall or enlarged upon bail as Entr'd after this Consultation.

The former sentence confirm'd.

The Consultations that make appear his crimes and the sentence already pass'd on him were all Read after which the President putt itt to each Perticular person att this Council to declare their oppinions if they thought the sentence already pass'd on him in the late Governour Pitt's time was just or no, Who all with the President (M^r Fraser Excepted) declared itt just and that itt ought to be executed accordingly.

Admitted to be confin'd to his House upon bail.

That part of s^d Seatons petition that desires he may be enlarged upon Bail was consider'd of & M^r. Thomas Frederick for himselfe and M^r. Robert Wright offerring to Oblidge themselves in a bond of Pagodas four thousand to see him forthcomeing It is agreed that the said security be taken and that he be confined to his own House & a Guard over him.

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A letter from Capt[a]. Phrip & Capt[a] Hudson from Negapatam dat[d]. y[e] 21[st] rec[d] y[e] 25[th] Ins[t]. was now read desireing Our Orders for their further proceeding which is already comply'd with as ℔ diary of 20[th] Ins[t]. they advise likewise of the arrivall of the Concord a separate stock Ship att the same port. Advice of the Frederick & Hallifax arriv'd at Negapatam.

A Letter from Governour Steelant & Council att Negapatam dat[d]. pm[o] Oct[r]. N[o]. S rec.[d] y[e] 25[th] September O. S. is now read & an enclosed protest of M[r]. Beirens Govern[r]. of Tutocoryne complaining of Affronts and incivilitys shown him by one William Saunders Master of the Septer desireing Wee will take notice of the same and punish him accordingly, Agreed that the said papers be sent to Bengall where Wee beli[e]ve the said Master too bee he being bound thither by his Orders from his Owner M[r]. Robert Adams of Callicutt. Letter from y[e] Dy. Gor and Council at Negapatam.

Ordered that Camall Batavia John Franca Bastian Brabon and Thomas Redcloffs be entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison. And Patrick Jugolsby of the Gunroome Crew. Three Portuguez entertain'd as Solders & one English in the Gunroome.

Agreed that William Douglass be entertain'd as Surgeons Mate, att Pagod[a]. ffive ℔ month & the Companys Table. William Douglass Surgeon's mate.

GULSTON ADDISON.
WILL: FRASER.
EDM[D]. MOUNTAGUE.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK

RICH[D]. HUNT.
EDW[D]: BULKLEY.

TO THE HON[BLE]: GULSTON ADDISON ESQ[R].
GOVERNOUR &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF FRANCIS SEATON.

SHEWETH:

WHEREAS your Petitioner was on the 2[d]. of August Last by Order of the late Govern[r] Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. committed close Prisoner in the Fort.

Your Peti[er]. humbley craves that he may have a speedy Tryall or be enlarged upon bail untill such time as your Hon[ble]. board shall think fitt to Condemn or acquitt him, which he is informed is nothing but what is his right as a subject to the QUEEN OF GREAT BRITAIN and conformable to a statute made in the 31[st] year of King Charles the second.

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And your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray &c[a].

27.

Arrived the Elizabeth from Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

GULSTON ADDISION ESQ[R]., GOV[R]. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. EDM[D]. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. EDWARD BULKLEY.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH.

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Sea Customr pays in pa. 1000.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pays into Cash Pagodas one thousand.

Journall Parcell's read.

Mr. Richd Hunt Bookeeper reads the Journall Parcells for the month of July Last.

Attorneys of Mrs. Empson Demand her Husbands Estate in ye Comps Cash.

Mr Edward Fleetwood this day appearing in Consultation produceing an authentick Letter of Attorney from Mrs Elizabeth Empson as Administratrix to Matthew Empson her late Husband Decd. Impowring the Honble President and himselfe to Demand all the Monys & Effects in the Rt. Honble Companys Cash.

The same Ordered.

Ordered that the same bee deliver'd itt being conformable to the Orders received from the Rt. Honble Company.

The late Presidt Pitt pays in pa 162 : 21 : 1 Accot. ye Old Company.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Late Governr pays in pagodas one hundred sixty two Fannams twenty one & Cash 1 being for Accot of the Rt. Honble Governr & Company of Merchts of London tradeing to the East Indies for Ballance of their Cash in his hands for which the President & Council sign'd a Receipt coppy of which is as Entr'd after this Consultation.

The Late Presidt Pitt and Mr. Robert Raworth pay in pa. 1417 : 35 : 45 Accot. ye New Compa.

The late Governr Pitt and Mr. Robert Raworth deliver in an Accott. of the Effects of the English Company Tradeing to the East Indies who's affairs have been negotiated by them the Ballance of which being pagodas one thousand four hundred seventeen Fanams thirty five & Cash fourty five which they now pay into the United Companys Cash for which the Presidt. and Council gave Receipt, as Entr'd after this Consultation.

And have given an obligation for to repay 100 pa if not allow'd.

And the said Late Governr & Mr. Raworth have given an obligation under their hands to repay one hundred pagodas which they have charged for their trouble if itt be not allow'd [off] by the said Company.

Mr. Hunt pays pa 193 : 12 : 20 for stores, Accot. Old Compa.

Mr. Hunt pays in Pagodas one hundred ninety three Fannams twelve & Cash twenty being for stores sold belonging to the Old Company.

Pagods. 1500 ordrd ye paymaster.

Orderd that pagodas one thousand ffive hundred be Advanced the Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Arrack Farmers pays in pa 316 · 24.

Gruapau etca., Arrack ffarmers pays into Cash the sume of pagodas three hundred and Sixteen Fanns twenty four.

The black Merchts attend about the Investment.

This day appeared severall black Merchants ꝑsuant to an Order of Consultation of the 22d Instt. by whom was perused all the Companys Musters and a proposall made for their bringing in severall sorts of Goods a list whereof is as Entr'd after this Consultation, And the President Insisting on an abatement in the prizes on the last Contract they desired they might consider of itt for a few days and that they would attend the Councill board and give in their answer.

GULSTON ADDISON.
WILL: FRASER.
EDMD: MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
RCBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH.D HUNT.
EDW.D BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.

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LIST OF GOODS PROPOSED TO BE PROVIDED AND BROUGHT IN BY THE 10th DECEMr. NEXT.

Longcloth Ordry	...	...	..	...	...	Peices.	20000
Ditto Middling	...	...	...	...	...	„	4000
Ditto Fine ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	3000
Sallampores Ordry	...	...	...	...	...	„	20000
Ditto Middling	...	...	..	...	...	„	6000
Ditto Fine ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	4000
Gingbams of 16 Coveds	...	...	...	...	...	„	1500
Ditto 40	...	...	...	...	...	„	500
Betteelas 40	...	...	...	...	...	„	7000
Ditto 50	...	...	...	...	...	„	3000
Oringall Betteelas	...	...	...	...	...	„	3000
Moorees ...	...	...	...		...	„	3000
Ditto ffine ...	...	...	..	...	...	„	1500
Neck cloths ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	4000

Wee the Presid.t & Councill for Affairs of the Rt. Honble. United English East India Company doe hereby acknowledge to have recd. of the Honble Thoms. Pitt Esq.r Late Presid.t of Fort S.t George for the R.t Honble Governr & Company of Merchts. of London tradeing to the East Indies the sume of pagodas one hundred sixty two Fans 21 : & Cash 1 which appears to be the Ballance of said Companys Cash in his hands for which wee give him this our receipt Fort S.t George 28th Septem.r 1709.

THOMAS FREDERICK. GULSTON ADDISON.
RICHD. HUNT. WILLIAM FRASER.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM MARTIN.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. ROBERT RAWORTH.

Wee the Presid.t & Councill for Affairs of the R.t Honble. United English East India Company doe hereby acknowledge to have received of the Honble Thomas Pitt Esq.r Late Governr. and Mr. Robert Raworth for Accott of the R.t Hon.ble English Company tradeing to the East Indies the sume of Pagodas one thousand four hundred and seventeen Fannams thirty five and Cash forty five which appears to be the Ballance of said Companys Cash in their hands for which Wee give them this our receipt Fort S.t George 28th Sep.r 1709.

GULSTON ADDISON.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
EDW.D BULKLEY. WILLIAM MARTIN.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHD HUNT.

30TH. Arrived the Morning Star from Bengall ☿ which recd the following Generall Letters.

1 ffrom the Councill for the United Affairs there dated 19th Augūst Last.

1 ffrom the Governour and Councill att York Fort dated 16th May last.

1 ffrom Messrs Griffith, Daniell and Garrett from Ditto being three of the Councill that lye under Suspention, And also a packett from them to the Rt Honble Court of Mannagers.

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[October]. At a Consultation

Present

Monday 3d

Gulston Addison Esq.r Gov,r & Presidt.
William Fraser. Edmd. Mountague.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richd. Hunt,
Edw.d Bulkley. William Jennings.

Report of Mr. Raworth haveg been aboard the Tankervill wth. ye secry and opned ye Packet for Bombay

Mr. Robert Raworth and William Warre Report that they have been on board the Trankervill and opned the Bombay packett and took from the Invoice a particular account of a Chest of Gold traverst on board the Heathcote which is as Entr'd after this Consultan.

Comander of Heathcote requests 50 Ton Salt Petre.

Capt.a Joseph Toulson Commander of the Heathcote delivers in his request for ffifty tons of Salt petre more then his Charterparty allowance agreed the same be granted him and his request is as entr'd after this consultation and that the Originall be sent the Company in the packett.

The men yt Mutined on board the Tankerrvvll. ord rd to be Examin'd.

Capt.a Newnams petition was this day read relating to a Mutiny that happn'd on board his Ship desireing that the four persons that were now in prison a Shoar might be punished as wee shall finde their Crimes deserve. It is Ordered that Messrs Mountague, Raworth, Hunt and Jennings doe Examine the said Prisoners and deliver their report in att next Consultation.

The Gold recd ℔ the Heathcote comes out according to Inv.o

Messrs Martin and Raworth Report that the two Chests of Gold marked A: B: mention'd in the Heathcotes Invoice they have examin'd and finde to come outright and likewise one Chest of Gold mark'd C Traverst from the Tankervill to the Heathcote to come outright with the Accot taken from the Bombay Invoice.

Contract concludd. on w.th Suncarama Collaway Chittee Balla Chittee and Vincatte Chittee.

This day being appointed for to receive the proposalls from the Black Merchts relating to an Investment who according to appointment mett in the Consultation roome, with whom some time was spent in arguing upon the reasoniableness of lowering the prizes upon all sorts of peice goods here since that the Merchts: att Fort St: David had ledd the way & abated 5 ℔ Cent on their last contract upon which the Merchts. entr'd into a debate for some time amoung themselves and at last four of them Vizt: Sunca Rama, Colloway Chittee, Balla Chittee & Vincattee Chittee proposed to undertake the same and offer'd to abate 5 ℔ Cent on the prizes of the last contract, wch was consented to by us And Ordered that the said Agreement be drawn up as usuall and that the papers be interchangabley given confirming the same.

Companys broad cloth sold them for 50 ℔ Ct. on Invo.

All or most of the Black Merchts. [of] any consideration being mett in the Consultation roome upon occasion of the Investment and some of them appearing very inclinable to come to an agreement for all the Rt. Honble. Companys broad Cloth Landed from the Heathcote which is 159 bales and likewise what more wee shall think fitt to Order a Shoar from the Frederick & Hallifax upon which wee putt itt up to sale and the Merchts. with whom Wee this day contracted for Callicoes &ca Offerring 50 ℔ Cent Advance upon Invoice which being 5 ℔ Ct more then the last sold for and nobody Offerring above that price, Itt is agreed that the Warehousekeeper does deliver them all that belongs to the Rt. Honble Company reserving for our use as much as Wee may have occasion for, for presents & clothing of the Millitary.

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This day was presented a Bill of Exch[a] drawn by the Deputy Govern[r] & Councill att Fort S[t]. David on us for pagod[s]. 5000 payable to the Hon[ble] Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. att three days after sight Ordered that the same be discharged when due. Bill Ex[a] from Fort St. David for 5000 pa Ord. to be paid.

Ordered that one thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]. Thomas Frederick Paymaster for to defray Charges Garrison. Pas. 1000 Ordd ye paymastr.

Gulston Addison Esq[r]. President reads his acco.[t]. of the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash for Sept[r]. last Balance being pagod[s]. 4526 : 5. 3. Presidents Accot Cash for Sepr read.

William Johnson Francis Upton & Samuell Lewis haveing served out their contracted time to the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company and praying their discharge & permission to return for Europe on the Heathcote, which is accordingly Granted y[m]. three Soldiers [discharged] & Leave to goe home on ye Heathcote.

Ponagetto Narso &c[a] Tobacco & Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Pagodas ffive hundred Eighty three Fannams twelve. Beetle Farmers pay in pa. 583 : 12 :—

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper doe send of Bales on board the Heathcote and that A peon be sent off in every Boat. Bales ordd. to be sent on board the Heathcote.

The ffollowing Generall Letters are now read. Generall Letters reed. read,

1 From the Council in Bengall for the United affairs.

1 From the Govern[r] & Councill of York Fort.

1 From Mess[rs]. Griffith, Daniell & Garrett three of the Councill under suspention att York Fort.

And also rec[d]. & read one from the Chief & Council att Vizagapatam dat.[d] y[e]. 14[th] September Last.

Rich[d] : Hunt.	Gulston Addison.
Edw[d]. Bulkley.	Will : Fraser.
W[m]. Jennings.	Edm[d]. Mountague.
	W : Martin.
	Rob[t]. Raworth.
	Tho : Frederick.

To the Hon[ble] Gulston Addison Esq[r].
President & Govern[r] &c[a]. Councill for affairs of the R[t]. Hon[ble] United East India Company.

Hon[ble] : S[r].

Finding my Charter party proportion of Salt Petre not sufficient to make the Ship Heathcote sail worthy I humbly request you will be pleased to Order fifty Tonns more to be laden on board I am,

Hon[ble] S[rs].
Your Obed[t]. & hum[ble] Serv[t].,
Jos : Tolson.

Fort S[t]. George, 3[d] October 1709.

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Acco[rr] one Chest Gold mark'd C taken from the Bombay Invoice.

No.		lb.	oz.	dw.	Gr.			Can.	Grs.	lb.	oz.	dw.	Gr.
31:	[Barrq]	14:	6:	9.	12 better	...	...	1:	1	15:	4:	7:	18
32	...	46:	4:	15:	...	...	...		2	47:	5:	8:	2
33	...	31:	7:	16:	12	...	..		3¼	32:	9:	17:	1
34	...	10:	11:	14:		...	...	1:		11:	5:	13:	7
35	...	5:	5:	10:	12	...	...		3¼	5:	7:	18:	22
36	...	4:	10:	5:		...	...	1:	1	5:	1:	11:	4
37:	...	7:	3:	12:		...	...	1:	½	7:	8:	1:	14
38:	...	15:	7:	19:	12	...	...	1:	½	16:	5·	11:	18
39:	...	49:	5:	11:		...	...		3¼	51:	3:	9:	10
40:	...	8:	8:	8:	12 worse	...	...		¼	8:	8:	2:	13
41:	...	5:	8:	18:	12 better	..	...		¼	5:	9:	2:	10
42:	...	9:		15:		...	...		2½	9:	3:	16:	19

1 Chest of Gold contains. 217: 1: 1: 4 at 8/1

℔ oz is £. 10550: 9: 9

Madrass Road 24th September 1709.

A true Coppy taken by us on board the Tankervill.

Robert Raworth

William Warre.

Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. late President haveing requested an Order from the President to the Commander of the Heathcote for the Receiving his person and Necessarys on board which was granted and is as follows.

To Capt[n]. Joseph Tolson.

Commader of the Heathcote.

You are hereby ordered to receive what necessarys the Hon[ble]. Thomas Pitt Esq[r]. shall send on board the Ship Heathcote as lickewise his person when he shall think convenient to embarque, you are to give him the sole accomadation of the Great Cabbin and treat him with y[e] respect dureing the terme of the Voyage suitable to the Great Post he has served in here which the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Company have ordered and will expect from you and treat you accordingly on your arrivall in England Fort S[t]. George 5th October 1709.

Gulston Addison.
William Fraser.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.
Rich[d]. Hunt.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.

6. Arrived the Eugene Gally from Benga[ll.]

9. Ship Tankervill Capt[n]. Cha[s]. Newnam Com[and[r] saild for] Bombay ℔ whom sent a Generall Letter [to the Dy. Gov[r].] and Councill there.

9. Ship New George Capt[n]. James Osborne salid for Bombay.

Ship Elizabeth John Cockroft Master salid for Surrat.

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MONDAY 10TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

GULSTON ADDISON ESQR., PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
WILLIAM FRASER. EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHD. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Mr. Bulkley produces a list of the Souldiers that came on the Heathcote (Wch are thirtyfive) and the Rt Honble: Company haveing Ordered that John Eden Surgeon of said Ship should be paid 10s for every man that came safe here being for his care of them dureing the term of the Voyage Agreed that the paymaster adjust the Account with the sd. Surgeon and pay him what due persuant to the Companys Orders. Surgeon of the Heathcote Ordd. to be pd. 10s. for ye. Soldiers y came here on sd. ship.

Mr. Thomas Frederick, late Sea Customer pays into the Rt. Honble: Companys Cash Pagodas one thousand on that Account. [Sea Custr. pays pags. 1000].

Agreed that Mr. Thomas Frederick bee Cheif Justice of the Choultry And Messrs. Richard Hunt Edward Bulkley William Jennings and Francis Cooke Justice. Justices of the Choultry settled.

The President adviseing that last night there were two Moors Lasscars seized & brought to him who were endeavouring to Murder a Noqueda belonging to one of the Surrat Ships he ordered that the Justices of the Choultry doe examine the said Lasscars and make their report at Next Consultation. two persons seizd for endeavorg. to Murder a Noqueda. referred to the Justices of the Choultry.

Captn: Tolson haveing brought on his Ship severall Chests of Wine &c which were design'd for Bengall, who was sent for, and Ordered to deliver them with an Accott: to Mr. Robert Raworth Sea Customer. Goods brott on the Heathcote for ye bay Ordered to be Dely Sea Customer

Agreed that the Accomptant draw out the A[cct] of Sallary due to the Rt. Honble. Companys Servants in this place for Six months ending to the 29th. September last. Accot. Sallary ordd to be drawn out.

Robert Ellis William Mitchell Thomas [...] Henry Collis Souldiers & John Sherborne [...] of the Gunroome crew of this Garrison have served out their contracted time to the Rt. Honble. Company and praying their discharge and permission to re[turne home] on the H[eathcote] which was [granted to them]. ffour Soldiers & one Gunner Discharged.

Messrs. Mountague Raworth Hunt & Jennings Report that they have examin'd the four persons that were brought ashoar from the Tankervill for mutining on board and is as entr'd after this Consultation. Report about ye. Mutiny on board the Tankervill

Ordered that they be seveerly punished the manner of which is left to the President. President to punish them.

Mr. William Fraser's Commission appointing him Deputy Governr of Fort St. David is now read and approved, And it is agreed that the ffollowing persons bee of Council there:— Mr. Fraser's Commn. read.

Mr. Richard ffarmer secon'd.
Mr. John Berlu third.
Mr. Richard Harrison fourth,
Mr. Phillip Baker ffifth,
Mr. John Bulteil sixth,
Mr. Matthew Weld seventh and last of said Council.

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[Pa.] 15000 sent to [Ft. St]. St. David.

Agreed that ffifteen thousand Pagodas be sent to Fort S^{t}. David with M^{r}. Fraser by peons overland.

Cottrell Leave [to come] hither.

M^{r}. Cotterel now at Fort S^{t}. David desiering to come here w^{ch}. is accordingly permitted him.

THO^{s} FREDERICK. EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. W. MARTIN.
[EDW^{D}]. BULKLEY. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.

To the HON^{BLE}. GULSTON ADDISON Esq^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVRRN^{R}. &C^{R}. COUNCIL
FOR THE AFFAIRS OF THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE}. UNITED
EAST INDIA COMPANY.

HON^{BLE}. S^{RS}. &C^{A}.

Pursuant to your Order Wee mett the third Inst^{t}. at the Town Hall where John Read Boatswaine Francis Robinson Boatswains Mate Jn^{o}. Hannah, Midshipman & William Plyer sailor all belonging to the Tankervill were brought before us, Wee read the deposition w^{ch}. were sworn against them and ask'd them severally what they had to say for themselves behaveing themselves in such a Mutinous manner on board their Ship.

John Read Boatswaine pleaded he was in drink and therefore was not able to give an account of what he did, but assured us he had no ill Intentions and seem'd very penitent.

Francis Robinson Boatswains mate confess'd y^{t} his intention was to run away the first oppertunity he could gett, his reason for itt was that M^{r}. Passwater the second mate had some days before given him some harsh words but in generall deny's what was deposed upon Oath against him.

John Hannah Midshipman deny'd all but being ask'd what was the reason of his haveing a brace of Pistolls loaden & a drawn sword in [his hand at] that Juncture, reply'd [it was] upon no ill design.

William Plyer denyes all and says that he was att the time of the disturbance a sleep in his Hammock, though at the same time has gott a large cutt with a Cuttlace a Cross the face and lost his thumb in the fray : none of them all shew'd any concern att what was alledged against them except the Boatswain who as before mention'd was very Penitent.

Wee are
Hon^{ble}. S^{rs}. &C^{a}.
Your most Obedient Humble Servants.

FORT ST. GEORGE 10th SEPTEM^{r}: 1709.

EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
RICHARD HUNT.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

11. Ar[rived] the Mary Sloope from Bengall

12. Sailed the Morning Starr for Bengall

13. Arrived a Surpau from Usuph Cawn Suba of Golconda to the Hon^{ble} Governour w^{eh}. he rec.^{d} [af]ter the usuall Manner att the Garden att [. . .] afternoon attended by the Inhabitants [. . .] for Surratt.

MONDAY 17. This day M^{r} Edm^{d} Mountague Second summon'd the Councill to meett at Jersey House.

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Present

MESS^RS EDM^D MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOM^S FREDERICK.
RICH^D HUNT. EDW.^D BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Agreed that an Order be sent to the Sec.^ry to Lay before us all papers relating to the Dispatch of the Heathcote w.^ch was accordingly done and is as entr'd after this Consultation. An Order sent to ye Secry

The Generall Letter to the Hon^ble Mannagers wrot by President Addison now read and approved. Generall Letter read & approved.

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper continue sending bales on board the Heathcote of such Goods as are in the Goedowns and that she be Loaden and dispatched with the utmost expedition. The dispatch of the Heathcote agreed.

EDM.^D MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
EDW.^D BULKLEY.
W.^M JENNINGS.

To M^R. WILLIAM WARRE

Governour Addison being soe much indisposed he can't possibley give his assistance in the dispatch of Ship Heathcote and the Season being soe far advanced that should wee wait his recovery she would run an eminent hazard of comeing a shoar, Wee being appointed by the Hon:^ble English Company Councill for their affairs on this Coast do forthwith require you to attend us att M^r Jerseys House and lay before us what papers are ready to be sent on the said Ship for England Fort S.^t George October the 17^ih 1709.

EDM^D. MOUNTAGUE.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOM^S: FREDERICK.
RICH^D: HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Gulston Addison Esq:^r Late President dyeing this day about 12 a Clock the 17. Council mett about 2 in the Consultation roome.

Present

EDM^D MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

The Sec^y. was Ordered to Lay before the board the Cash Acco.^t and the Ballance thereof was Pagodas 5109 · 17 : 3 & on opening the Cash Chest found the same therein. Accot. Cash Examd. & found to Agree.

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The Councill Exad ye Late Presidents papers & finde his Will

Agreed that all the Councill goe in a body and examine the Late Presidents papers to see if their be any Will which accordingly was done and on opening a small box found a paper seald with his own seal and indorsed the Last Will and Testament of Gulston Addison Esq.r. which the Secry was Ordered to open and read and found that Mess.rs Edmd Mountague Robert Raworth Edward Fleetwood and Bernard Benyon were appointed Trustees thereto and also a Coddicill to the said Will both which were deliver'd to the aforesaid Trustees.

Mr Baker writes ye Secrett Instructions.

And on Examining the late Presidents paper there was found a paper attested ℔ Messrs Mountague Raworth & Lewis Ministers, relating to the Secrett Orders for security of the Companys homeward bound Shipping & the President being soe very ill that he could not write them himselfe as directed, Impowr'd M.r Brudnall Baker, giveing him his Oath to be secrett coppy's whereof are as enter'd after this Consultation.

Messrs. Raworth & ffrederick take care of ye Intermt of ye Late Presidt.

Agreed that Messrs Raworth & Frederick take care of the enterment of the Dec.d [President] and that they provide all things [pertaining] to the great Carrecter he has bore.

Mr Johnson arrives from Fort St. David.

Last night arrived here from Fort S.t David Over land Mr. John Johnson Cheif Supra Cargo of the Concord (a separate stock Ship) and brought a Packett from the Honble Managers which was opned and found to be a duplicate of the late President Addisons Commission & their Generall Letters Recd. ℔ the Heathcote.

Mr. Fraser not to be immediately sent for from Fort St. David.

Mr. Fraser setting out hence on the 11th Inst. for the Fort St. David with whom sent by peons Pagods. 15000 in Order to his immediate comeing to an agreement with the Merchts there for providing severall sorts of Goods to the Amount of pagods. 50000 towards the early dispatch of the January Shipping and Judgeing itt would bee highly detrimentall to the Companys affairs should he be immediately sent for from thence.

Mr. Mountague takes the Chair.

Itt is therefore unanimously agreed that Mr. Edmond Mountague take the Chair & act as provissionall Governr & President for the Present.

all ye Comn. Officers to receive the Ords. from him.

And that all the Commission Officers be acquainted with our resolutions and obey such Orders as they shall receive from the Provissionall Governr & President in the same manner they did the Late President Addison.

[...]

The Secy acquaints the board that ℔suant to the Order of the Late President Addison he had drawn out a Contract for the Merchts to sign conformable to their agreement with the late President & Councill which was not comply'd with Agreed yt the said Merchts be Ordered to attend at next Consultation and give their reasons for not signing the said Contract.

Heathcote Men to be Mustr'd.

Ordered that the Paymaster doe muster the Heathcote men.

Capta. Tolson requeat 30 Ton Salt Petre.

Capta. Tolson requests that he may have 30 Tons of Salt Petre more to make him sail worthy wch is granted and is as entr'd after this Consultation.

EDMD: MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
RT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.

Whereas the Rt. Honble. United East India Company have for divers good causes and good considerations appointed their President Gulston Addison Esqr. to give their Secrett directions for the randivouz of their Shipps for the security of their passage home And Whereas the said Gulston Addison Esqr. is soe much

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Indisposed that he can't write himselfe Wee the subscribers think itt will be no detriment to the aforesaid Company that on Mr. Brudenell Bakers takeing his Oath not to divoulge the same that he receive the dictates of the aforesaid Governour and write the same accordingly. Fort St. George October the 14th 1709.

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
GEORGE LEWIS, *Minist r.*

I Brudnell Baker doe on the Holy Evangelist solemnly declare that I will not on any consideration whatever discover what the Honble Gulston Addison Esqr. shall dictate to mee relating to the dispatch of the Heathcote and other Shipps belonging to the Honble. United Company in January or ffebruary next. ffort St. George October the 14th 1709.

Jurat Coram Mee
ROBT RAWORTH MAYR.

BRUDENELL BAKER.

TO THE HONBLE GULSTON ADDISON ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR &CA. COUNCILL
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT. HONBLE
UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY

HONBLE. SRS. &CA

Finding my Charterparty proportion of Salt petre not sufficient to make the Ship Heathcote sail worthy I humbly request you will be pleased to Order thirty Tonns more to be Laden on board.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
17TH OCTOBER 1709.

I am
Honble Srs.
Your Obedt. & humble Servt.
JO TOLSON.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE ESQR. PROVISSLL PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. — TUESDAY 18.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHD. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

This day arrived the ffrederick & Hallifax and considering the season of the Year is soe far advanc'd that itt is unanimously agreed for the security of the Companys Estate that all the Treasure Broadcloth and Stores be unloaden with all expedition and that the Warehousekeeper takes care thereof. — Frederick & Hallifax Ordd. to be unloaden.

Agreed that one thousand pagodas be advanc'd Mr. Thomas ffrederick Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison. — Pa. 1,000 Ordd. the paymr.

The Merchts Wee formerly agreed with for goods were sent for to sign a Contract as mention'd in our Consultation of the 26th Ultc. they alleged as haveing no money Advanced they would be under no obligation but use their uttmost Efforts to Comply with their agreement. — The Merchts will sign no Contract.

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A Garse of paddy Ordd. the Washers.

The Washers complaining that the Scarcity of Paddy is soe great they can't proceed in cureing the Rt. Honble. Companys Cloth agreed that the Warehousekeeper lett them have a Garse of paddy out of the Companys goedown.

The Heathcots men mustr'd.

Mr. Frederick Paymaster delivers in an Accot. of the men Muster'd on board the Heathcote wch. is Order'd to be sent home in the packett.

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.

18 Arrived the Concord a sperate stock ship.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 20

Present

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE ESQR. PROVISSLL. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Hallifax & ffrederick packetts arrive over land.

This day arrived the Packetts of Shipps Hallifax & ffrederick from fort St. David Over Land which were opned and found to be the same Recd. ℔the Heathcote.

Genll Letter from ffort St. David.

Recd. and read a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. & Councill of Fort St. David.

Pa. 400 ordd ye painters.

Agreed that ffour hundred pagodas be Advanc'd the Painters.

100 Bales Broad Cloth to be continued on board Hallifax & 100 on board ye ffrederick.

Agreed that one hundred bales of Broad Cloth be continued on board the ffrederick & one hundred Bales on board the Hallifax in order to be sent to Bengall ℔ suant to what wrott them formerly,

EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JANNINGS.

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. ROWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

ATT A CONSULTATION

SUNDAY 23

Present

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE ESQR. PROVISSLL. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHD. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Genl. Letter from ffort St. David 3000pa

This day was read a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. & Councill att Fort St. David, adviseing they had drawn a bill of Exchange for three thousand

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pagodas on the Govern^{r}. and Councill here, payable at ten days sight to Mess^{rs}. Johnson & Collitson Merch^{ts}. of Ship Concord, w^{ch}. is agreed to be paid when due. drawn by them on us.

Thomas Headlick, Soldier procuring a person to serve in his roome requests his discharge w^{ch}. is Granted him. Soldier discharg'd.

Ordered that Christopher Etterson be entertain'd as a soldier in this Garrison. Soldier Entertained.

The Secrett Ord^{rs}. for the homeward bound Shipping being wrott by Order of the Late President Addison & not sign'd by him agreed that M^{r}. Mountague sign them. Secrett Orders to be signed ℔ Mr. Mountague.

Rich^{D}. Hunt.	Edm^{D}. Mountague.
Edw^{D}. Bulkley.	W : Martin.
W^{M}. Jennings.	Rob^{T}. Raworth.
	Tho : Frederick.

This day the Councill mett and sign'd y^{e}. Generall Letters dispatch &c^{a}. ℔ Ship Heathcote. 24

This day the Proviss^{ll} President sent Ensign Dixon with a file of Men to take charge of Capt^{a}. Seaton in order to be sent on the Heathcote for England who refused to come out of his House without being forced. 25

Upon which the Councill immediately mett att the Provis^{ll}. Presidents Lodgeings, & demanded the said Capt^{a}. Seaton of M^{r}. Thomas Frederick ℔suant to his Obligation who then deliver'd him up, & the said Obligation is ordered to be cancell'd.

The Proviss^{ll}. President Deliver'd to Ensign Dixon an Order sign'd by him and Councill to Capt^{a}. Joseph Tolson Comãnd^{r}. of the Heathcote, for the receiving of Capt^{a} Seaton on board his Ship. And Ordered him to take a Serjant & a file of Men & carry him on board which was accordingly done.

About five a Clock this evening the said Ensign and Guard return'd with their Prisoner, Capta Tolson refuseing to take him on board his Ship. 26

The Heathcote Capt^{a}. Joseph Tolson saild for England.

Att a Consultation

Present

Edm^{D}. Mountague Esq^{R}. Proviss :^{LL} Presid^{T}: & Govern^{R}. Thursday 27
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.
Edward Bulkley. William Jennings.

The Proviss^{ll}. President acquaints the Councill what had happn'd relating to Capt^{a}. Seaton upon which Ensign Dixon was sent for who declares that Capt^{a}. Tolson would not receive the said Capt^{a}. Seaton on board his Ship and delivers in a particular Acco^{t}. of what pass'd between him & said Capt^{a}. Tolson in writing which is as Entr'd after this Consultation. Capta Seaton raturn'd from ye Heathcote.

Capt^{a}. Seaton being again a prisoner in the ffort which place he complain'd was very prejuditiall to his health Desires he may be permitted to return to his House and offerrs M^{r}. Thomas Frederick and M^{r}. Thomas Lovell to be bound in a bond of ffour thousand pagodas penalty to see him forthcomeing whenever demanded by the Govern^{r} & Council or their successors. Capta. Seaton requests to goe to his house.

Agreed the said Security be taken, & Capt^{a}. Seaton permitted to goe to his House and remain there a prisoner as before until further Order. Wch. is granted and Bail taken

This day was read the ffollowing Gen^{ll}: Letters Genll. Letters read.

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1 ffrom the Deputy Govern[r] & Council at Fort S[t]. David dated y[e] 21[o] Inst.
1 ffrom Ditto dated 22 D[o].
1 ffrom M[r]. Noden at Metchlepatam dated y[e] 7[th]. In[t].

pa 1100 pd Capt[a]. Hudson Bill Exa. @ Fort St. David.

Capt[a]. Henry Hudson this day p[r]sents a Bill of Exchange Drawn by the Deputy Govern[r] & Council att Fort S[t]. David for pagodas one thousand one hundr'd payable to him selfe agreed the same be paid when due.

Ord. y[e] Fredericks Surgeon be pd. for y[e] Soldiers y[t] came on her

Robert Tongue Surgeon of the ffrederick produces an acco[t]. of the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Comp[s]. Soldiers that came on said Ship & requests he may be paid the ten shillings for each man as promised him by the Company for his care of them dureing the term of the Voyage, agreed that the paymaster adjust that Acco[t]. and pay what due.

ffive p[r]sons Entertain'd as Soldiers

Ordered that Frederick Mareen Panto D'Rosario Domingo D'Rosario, Thome De Andrada Nova & David ffrancisco, be entertained to serve as Soldiers in this Garrison or wherever the President and Council shall think fitt to Order them the first being a Dutch Mustees at 60 fan[s]. ℔m[o]. the rest Portigueze at fa[s]. 50 ℔m[o]. Each.

Governr ffraser wrott for

Agreed that a Letter be wrott Governour Fraser to accquaint him of the Death of the Late Presid[t]. Addison, And to desire him to return hither with all convenient expedition.

Lieutent. Vivar Entr'd into pay,

This day Lieutenant Vivar appeared and produced the R[t]. Hon[ble]. Companys Commission, agreed y[t] he be allow'd pay from the time of his arrivall att Fort S[t]. David and that he have the same allowance as Capt[a]. Gale has.

a Garse of paddy Ordd. y[e] Washer[s]

Agreed that the Warehousekeepr deliver out a Garse of paddy to the Washers.

Agreed that Nathaniell Burdett be entertain'd as one of the Gunroome Crew in this Garrison.

Sallary to y[e] Comp[s]. Servts. Ordd. to be pd. ams to pas 1433 : 7 . 3

M[r]. Hunt produces the Acco[t]. of sallary due to the R[t]. Hon[ble] Companys servants here for Six months ending the 25[th] : Ult[o]. Amounting to pa 1433 : 7 : 3 which is now read and agreed to be paid.

Rich[d]. Hunt.	Edm[d]. Mountague.
Edw[d]. Bulkley.	W: Martin.
Wm. Jennings.	R[t]. Raworth.
	Tho: Frederick.

To the Hon[ble]. Edm[d]. Mountague Esq[r].
Provission[ll]. Presid[t]. & Govern[r].
of Fort S[t]. George &c[a] Councill
ffor affairs of the R[t]. Hon[ble] United
English East India Company.

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c[a]

According to Orders I carry'd your Prisoner Capt[a]. Seaton alongside of the Ship Heathcote and Laying there some time I found no person appear to hand us a roap or any to assist us, then I went on board and deliver'd your Hon[rs]. &c[a]. Councill Order to Capt[a]. Tolson desireing him to receive the prison[r]. I inform'd him y[t]. the said Prisoner was carried from the Sea Gate and that he refused to come on board unless he were hoisted in, Capt[a]. Tolson reply'd y[t]. all his passengers came on board willingly and would not hoist him in, nor suffer anybody else to doe itt nor would he overhall the least tackle in his Ship, and that he would not suffer any Gentleman lying a Long side of his Ship to be forced on board or ill used, Capt[a]. Tolson asked the Prisoner if he would come on board which the said Prisoner refused, then the Prisoner demanded of Capt[a]. Tolson whether he has [any fur]ther Commands for him. Capt[a]. Tolson answer'd no I waited for a Note but at last he told me I might goe for he would give me none.

Fort S[t]. George,
25[th] October 1709.

Patrick Dixon.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

EDMD: MOUNTAGUE ESQR. PROVLL: PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. MONDAY 31
WILLIAM MARTIN. [*Lacuna*]
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.
MR. ROBERT RAWORTH *sick.*

Merchts request some Mony.

There being a large sume due to Collaway & Vincattee Chittee on their old contract, who this day appearing request that some mony might be Ordered them.

Pa. 20000 Ordd. them

Agreed that twenty thousand Madrass pagodas be paid them on said Accot.

Treasure of the Hallifax & ffrederick to be examin'd. 50 Chests silver Ordered to be Coined into rupees.

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper Mr. Hunt & the two Essay Masters doe examine the Treasure that came on Ship's Frederick & Hallifax & make there report thereof, And that the Warehousekeeper doe deliver into the Mint ffifty Chests of Silver to be coin'd into Rupees.

Pa 1000 pd in Accot. Sea Customs.

Mr. Thomas Frederick late Sea Customr: reads his Accot. Sea Customs for the month of Septemr. Last Vizt.

Custome on goods Imported & Exported	Pas	2135:	4. 70
Anchorage Duty		89:	18:
Pagods. ...		2224:	22. 70

And pay's into Cash on that Accot. pagodas one thousand:

Pa 800 pd Accot. Land Customs.

Mr. Richd. Hunt Land Customr. reads his accot. of Land Customes for the month of September last Vizt.

Choultry Custome	Pa	302:	4: 25
Rubie Brokers		36:	25: 11
Town Brokers		69:	28: 64
Registring of Slaves		7:	20: ...
Pagods ...		416;	6: 20

And pays into cash on that accot Pagodas Eight hundred.

150 bales broadcloth ordered the Merch .

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper deliver the Merchants one hundred & ffifty Bales of Broadcloth, according to their desire.

the Broacloth yt came p Frederick & Hallifax to be examin'd.

And that the Warehousekeeper Messrs Frederick and Jennings doe examine all the Broadcloth that came on Shipps Hallifax and ffrederick and make their Report thereof.

pa 1500 Ordd ye paymastr.

Agreed that one thousand five hundred pagodas be advanced Mr. Thomas Frederick paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

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pa. 316 : 24 Arrack Farmrs.

Gruapau &c^{a}. Arrack ffarmers pay's into y^{e} R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s}. Cash pagodas three hundred & sixteen, fannams 24 on that Acco^{t}.

Genll Letters reod and read.

Rec^{d} & read the following Generall Letters.

1 from the United Council in Bengall dat y^{e} 6th Ult^{o}.

1 from the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam dat. 8th Ins^{t}.

1 from Ditto Dat^{d}. 11th Ins^{t}.

ffour prsons Entertain'd. in ye Gunroome.

Agreed that the ffollowing persons be entertaind to serve in the Gunroome

David Murray as Gunners mate.
Thomas ffloodgate quarter Gunner.
William Hall & Christopher Mercer of the Gunroom crew.

	Edm^{d}. Mountague.
Rich^{d}. Hunt.	W. Martin.
Edw^{d}. Bulkley.	R^{t}. Raworth.
W^{m}. Jennings.	Tho: Frederick.

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The Consultation and Diary Booke of William Fraser Esq^{r}. Govern^{r} and President &c^{a} Council Their Proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the Rt. Hon^{ble}. United Trade of the English Comp^{a}. Tradeing to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c.^{a} Begun the 2^{d}. of Novem^{r} Anno Domini 1709.

NOVEMBER WEDNESDAY 2D.

This Evening about 5 a clock arriv'd here from ffort S^{t}. David the Hon^{ble}: William Fraser Esq^{r}. Govern^{r}. and was receivd with all due respect by the Council and the English Gentlemen, who went as farr as S^{t}. Thomas' Little Mount to meet him, as did the Cheif of all Nations of the Inhabitants.

AT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

THURSDAY 3D.

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^{R}.	GOV^{R} & PRESID^{T}.
EDMUND MOUNTAGUE.	WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH :	THOMAS FFREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.	EDWARD BULKLEY.

WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Willm. Fraser Esq^{r}. Govr. takes ye Chair, & Exhorts ye Council to Unite in Love & ffreindship.

The Council being duly summon'd mett in Consultation and haveing taken their places the President riseing up from the Chair and exhorted the Gentlemen of the Council to forgett and forgive whatever hitherto had given cause and occasion to the difference that had formerly happn'd amongst them and that all such piques might for ever be buried in oblivion and that they might hence forward agree amongst themselves in the Unity of Love and firm ffreindship with all reciprocall respect to each other in testimony of which they were desired to shake hands all of them which was accordingly done with all promises of sincerity to the performance of the premises.

Fort St. David Diary & Counterpart of ye agreemt wth ye Merch^{t}. there for pa. 50,000.

The Govern^{r} produces now the diary and Consultations att Fort S^{t}. David from the 15th of October to the 29th of the same inclusive and the Companys counterpart of the Agreement with the Merchants there for an Investment of pagod^{s}. 50000 on the 19th past as also a receipt signed by the Council there for the Ballance of the Hon^{ble} United Companys Cash being p^{a}. 17703 : 13 which he deliver'd over to M^{r}. ffarmer the 29th past.

Comiss^{n} ordered to be drawn out for Lieutenant Courtney at Fort St. David

Para 9 of the Generall letter from Fort S^{t} David of the 18th Ult^{o} relating to the millitary was now read wherein itt is observed Capt^{a}. Courtney has no Commission that of his from the Hon^{ble} Company haveing been deposited in the late Hon^{ble} Govern^{r} Addisons hands itt is agreed that there be a new Commission drawn up and sign'd by the Govern^{r} and Council here and that the Hon^{ble} Companys Seal be affix'd thereto & y^{t} the same be sent him ℔ the first oppertunity.

two packetts qt Secrett Ordrs DD ye Honble Govr. ℔ Mr Mountague.

M^{r}. Mountague delivers to the Govern^{r} two packetts seal'd, Rec^{d} ℔ the Hallifax and ffrederick, that by the Hallifax N^{o}. 17 : 18, and that by the ffrederick N^{o} 18 : 19 both containing secrett Orders & directions to the severall and respective Captan^{s} relating to their homeward bound Shipping.

Stores Ordd. to be sent to Fort St. David to fitt the Yatch.

Agreed there be the necessary stores wrott for from ffort S^{t}. David for fitting and repairing the Companys Yatch in the River there be sent them ℔ the first oppertunity, Viz^{t} Plank, & Nailes of severall sorts & sizes, and that the storekeeper take care the same be done.

Factors Provissions & Chest Medicine to be sent to Fort St. David.

Agreed that the Steward provide the Quantity of a Leaguer of Batavia-arrack, Persia ffruit and rosewater And that two chests of Europe wine and four chests of Syrash be sent to ffort S^{t}. David and that the Steward take care the same be sent y^{m} ℔ the first oppertunity, And that the Chest of Medicine w^{ch}. came from England for that place be also sent them.

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Balla Comps Cash to ye pmo Inst pa 4892: 34 DD ye Honble Governr.

Mr. Mountague Reads his acco^{t}. of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} cash to the ℔m^{o}. Inst.^{t} for Last month the Ballance being pagodas four thousand eight hundred ninety two fannams thirty four with which the real Cash in the Cash Chest agrees and is DD over to the the Hon^{ble} Govern^{r}.

Ponnagattee Narso &c^{a} Beetle & Tobacco ffarmers pays into Cash pagod.^{s} ffive hundred eighty three 12^{fns} on that acco^{t}.

Ordd yt 2 portiguizes be entertain'd as Soldiers.

Ordered that Lewis Parera & Belthazar Gudino Portiguze's be entertained as Soldiers to serve in this Garrison or else where.

Suba of Golconda & Nabob Dowd Cawns people request to be Dispatch'd.

Rangojee Naigue Chubbdar (& two Harrcoras) who came with a Surrpau to the late President Addison from the Suba of Gulconda, requesting that they might be dispatched, as also one horseman from Nabob Dow'd Cawn who came with a letter to the late Govern^{r} requesting his assistance in the buying of Gold, & other goods.

The Honble Govr. to give ye usuall ℔ sent.

Discoursed of what propper to be sent the Suba of Gulconda and Nabob Dow'd Cawn agreed that the consideration thereof be left to the Hon^{ble} President and that he send what he shall think necessary.

WILL: FRASER.
EDM.^{D} MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^{T}: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}: HUNT.
EDW.^{D} BULKLEY.
W.^{M} JENNINGS.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^{r}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{r}.
EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THO^{S}: FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

MONDAY 7.

Suba of Gulcondah's servants dispatched.

The President does in pursuance to an Order of last Consultation accquaint the Council that he hath dispatch'd away the Suba of Gulcondahs Servants whom he hath Tashareifed as ffollows To Ramgojee Niack four yards of Scarlett, To the Chubadar three yards of Aurora, and one hundred Rupees to him and three Hercoras, And hath delivered to them the late President Addisons answer to their Master, as also the now President's letter to him giveing the reasons why the late President's letter was not sign'd which was his suddain death.

Lieutt. Courtneys Com. sign'd.

This day was sign'd a Commission to appoint Hercules Courtney Lieutenant of the second company of Soldiers at Fort S^{t}. David.

Surgeon at Fort S.t David allow'd pallenkeen cooleys.

The Petition of David Morton Surgeon at Fort S^{t}. David was now read, and in consideration of the distance between Cuddalore and Fort S^{t}. David agreed he be allow'd pallenkeen boy's as Mr. Supply was, y^{e} s^{d} Petition is entr'd after this Consultation.

Pa 1000 Ordd. the paymaster.

Ordered that pagodas one thousand be advanced Mr. Thom^{s} ffrederick paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pa 1000 pd in Accot Sea Customs.

Mr. Thomas Frederick late Sea Customer pays into Cash pagodas one thousand on that acco^{t}.

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William Fraser Esq^{r} Mintmaster produces now the Mint acco^{t}. for the month of Septem^{r} & pays into Cash acco^{t}. Coinage on Gold pagod^{s}. fourty two 16^{fa}. 3 ^{ca}, and delivers to Mr. William Martin Warehousekeeper Rupees two thousand four hundred sixty-seven 10$^{ans.}$ Acco^{t}. Coinage of Silver being the Ball^{a}. of that Months Acco^{t}.

Pa 42 : 16 : 3 . pd in accot Coinage Gold Rupe 2467 : 10as DD ye Warehousekpr Coinage Silver.

Calloway and Vincattee Chittee now appear in Cousultation and demand pagodas twenty thousand as due to them for goods brought in and embaled on their Old Contract and the Warehousekeeper declaring he belives there is about that amount due to them, he is therefore Ordered to Adjust that Account with the Company and the Merch^{ts} and that in the mean time pagodas ten thousand be advanced them on said Acco.^{t}

Pagods. 10000 Ordd ye Merch^{ts} for good brott in on ye old Contracts.

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper deliver to Suncarama Colloway Chittee Balla Chittee & Vincattee Chittee the Merch^{ts}. Contracted with on a new Investment two hundred bales of broad cloth.

200 bales broadcloth Ordd. to be D Dye Merchts on yr new Contract.

Agreed that pagodas five hundred be advanced the Washers towards cureing the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cloth.

pa 500 Ordd. y^{e} Washers.

Agreed that Jacob D^{e}. Banck be entertain'd as Gunners Mate and William Ross as one of the Gunroome Crew in this Garrison.

Two Europe men Entertain'd in the Gunroome.

Ordered that Antonio D^{e}. Rosario & Manuch D^{e}Rosario (portigueze's) be entertain'd as Soldiers in this Garrison or else where to serve the Hon^{ble}. Company.

Two Topazes Entertd Soldiers.

Agreed that Rich^{d} Mitchell a Soldier in this Garrison who hath a fair charrecter from his Capt^{a}. be appointed Marshall in the roome of Epharim Goss Dec^{d}.

Richd Mitchell appointed Marshall.

Ponnagattee Narso &c^{a}. Beetle & Tobacco Farmer[s] pays into Cash pagodas fourty one 24$^{Fans.}$ being part of their debt to the old Company on that account.

Pagods. 41 : 24fa pd in by ye beetle and Tobacco ffarmers.

Lewis Mallique Renter of the Wine Licence pays into Cash pagodas ffifty on that account.

Pas 50 pd in accot ye Wine Licence

The President recommends to the Council their getting ready their severall books belonging to their Respective Employs and duplicates thereof to be sent home by the January Shipping ℔suant to the Hon^{ble}: Companys Orders ℔ the Heathcote which they all promise to doe.

Genll books &ca ordd. to be gott ready.

WILL: FRASER.
EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
EDW^{D}. BULKLEY.
W^{M}. JENNINGS.

TO THE GOVERN^{R} & PRESID^{T}. FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^{T}. HON^{BLE} UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPAMY ON THE COAST OF CHORMONDELL & SUMATRA & TO THE WORSHIP: ^{11} THE COUNCIL &C^{A}.

The humble Petition of David Morton Sheweth.

Whereas your Hon^{rs} &c^{a} Petitioner haveing Cuddalore and other out places under his charge where there are a great many of the Companys Servants both black

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& white, to whom he is obliged at all times to give his attendance, and that some times, by reason of the great raines and excessive heats (at which times he is most wanted there) he is not able to give that attendance which is necessary haveing no other conveyance but a Horse wherefore humbly requests you would be pleased to take the Premisses into your consideration & grant him a Pallenkeen as it was formerly to his Predecessor Mr. Supply for the same reasons and he as in duty bound shall ever pray &ca.

8TH 9. Dispatch'd peons with a Generall Letter to Fort St. David.

Ditto with a Generall Letter to the Govern & Council of Negapatam in answer to theirs congratulating the Hon:ble Governr on his comeing to the Government.

Ditto to the Cheif & Council of Pollicatt.

The Hon:ble Governr: Recd a Letter from Nabob Dowd Cawn and presented the ffollowing persons that brought itt Vizt.

Ahomud Shaw ffour yards of Scarlett

Conaree Pundett three yards of Aurora

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 10.

WILLIAM FRASER ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOS. FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWD. BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Disposeing of ships Hallifax & Frederick discoursed on

Discoursed of disposeing of the Hallifax and Frederick now at an anchor in the offing and tho' the extremity of the Weather seems to be over and that the Ship's are not yett come into the road, and not knowing what damage the two hundred bales of broadcloth continued on board them design'd for Bengall may have sustain'd by reason of the blowing weather the further consideration of said Ship is referr'd untill another consultation when they may come into the Road and the said Bales brought on shoar received & examin'd.

Pagod 1350s. pd acct Storesold.

Mr. Raworth for Mr. Davenport late Storekeeper reads his Accot. for the month of September last, and pays into the Rt. Hon: ble Compas Cash pagodas one thousand three hundred and ffifty.

Abstract of ye Genll. Letter relating to the subordinate ffactory to be drawn out & sent.

Ordered that abstracts of the Hon:ble Companys Letter ℔ the Heathcote relating to the Subbordinate ffactorys bee drawn out and sent them.

Comiss of the Millitary Officers called in & new ones Ordd. to be given.

Ordered that the Commissions of the severall millitary Officers of this Garrison be called in and new ones drawn out in manner and forme as the Honble Company have directed in their Generall Letter.

Geo: Vivar Ordd. for Cuddalore

Ordered that George Vivar be sent to Cuddalore and appointed second Lieutenant of the Company of Foot Soldiers there and that the Secretary doe acquaint him of this our Order that he may prepare himselfe accordingly.

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Ordered that John Tripillians be entertain'd to serve in the Gunn roome in this Garrison. One Europe man Entertain'd in the Gunroome.

WILL. FRASER.
EDMD MOUNTAGUE.
W · MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.

Arrived a Sloop that was bound for Merga butt looseing her passage putt in here, belonging to Pollicherry. 13.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQR. PRISIDENT & GOVERNR. MONDAY 14.

EDMD. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

The ffollowing Generall Letters were read and approved. Genll. Letters sent read.

To the Generall and Council att Bombay.

To the United Councill in Bengall.

To the Cheif & Council att Vizagapatam.

There being some Merchts. that have offerr'd to buy the Companys Perpetuanoes, and itt being demanded of the Warehousekeeper what quantity will be sufficient to serve for the use of the Garrison who belives about five bales may be enough, Agreed that all the rest be sold, And itt being now declared to the Merchts that they yt. bid most shall be the Lawfull buyer the same being putt up att 50 ℔ Cent on Invoice, they advanced to Sixty five ℔ Cent which is the uttmost that was bid, the same is declared in Favour of Cornapa Chittee he haveing bid most. Perpetuanoes sold at 66 ℔ Ct on Invoice.

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper deliver them accordingly.

Mr Richd. Hunt: a Land Customer reads his Accots Land Custome for the last month Vizt. Land Customrs. Accot. Read

Choultry Custome	...	...	...	Pagds	127 :	15 : 10
Ruby Brokers ...	...	...	...		9 :	8 : 21
Town Brokers ...	...	...	...		–	16 : 70
Grass cutters ...	...	...	...		4 :	... ...
Registring Slaves	...	...	...		5 :	4 :
				Pagods.	146 :	8 : 21

Agreed & Ordered that the 112 bales of Longcloth Ordry. Brown Sorted & Embaled and intended to be Loaden on the Heatchcote if failuer of other Goods be sent to the Washers. 112 bales brown Longcloth sent to ye Washers.

Messrs. Martin, ffrederick & Jennings report that they have examin'd the Damaged Broadcloth that came on shipps Hallifax & Frederick which is as Entr'd after this Consultation, Agreed that the said cloth be sold for the most itt will yeild rather then returnd on the Commandrs hands. Broad cloth yt came on the Hallifax & ffrederick examin'd

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Complaint of ye Arrack farmers. Petition of Complaint, of Moortanah, Errapa & Rama Arrack ffarmers, Ordered that the Justices of the Choultry doe examine that Matter and report the same to the board.

pa 1000 Ordd. the paymaster Ordered that pagodas one thousand be advanced Mr Thomas Frederick paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Complaint from ye Killdar of Chargallee-putt. A Letter from Allawadeen Cawn Killdar of Changallee Putt now read complaining of some persons Imprison'd here by means of Serapa for some years, that are inhabitants in some of his Towns, Ordered that the examination thereof be refferr'd to the Justices of the Choultry & that they make their report to the board.

RICHD. HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.
WILL: FRASER.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE WILLIAM FRASER ESQ.R
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR OF FORT St. GEORGE
&c.A COUNCILL

Honble St. &ca

According to your Orders Wee the Subscribers have examin'd all the Broadcloth that came by Shipps Hallifax and Frederick & finde the most damaged will sell for more then Invoice price

Honble Sr. &ca

Your most humble Servants
WILLIAM MARTIN.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

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NOVEMBER 14TH 1709.

16 Sailed the Sloop belonging to Ponticherry.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
THURSDAY 17. RICHD. HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

pa 1000 pd in accot. Sea Customes. Mr. Thomas ffrederick late Sea Customer pays into Cash pagodas one thousand on that account.

Owners of the Resolution demand yr West coast bill. Captn. Thomas Plumb in behalfe of himselfe and the rest of the Owners of Ship Resolution produces a Bill of Exa. for Spanish Dollrs. fourteen thousand three hundred and ffifty seven 3 succa's 1½ a Sattalle sign'd by the Governr and Councill of York Fort dated there the 26th May 1707 and drawn by them on the then Presidt. & Councill here which Bill was presented in Consultation ye 17th July 1707 wch was not then accepted by reason of the Honble Companys Negative Ordrs. forbiding the payment of any bills drawn on us by the Governr & Councill at York Fort untill now by their Generall Letter ℔ the Heathcote they have Ordered the same to be paid with the Interest of Six ℔ Ct ℔ annum if insisted on which is now demanded.

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Agreed and Ordered that the Accomp^{t}. make up the Acco^{t}. allowing Six ℔ C^{t} ℔ ann Interest commenceing from the 16th day of August 1707 (the thirty days being then expired for the payment) to this day and that the same bee paid accordingly. Owners of Ship Resolutions bill ordered to be paid wth Interest.

The Company haveing likewise Ordered the payment of M^{r} Chardins Bill for Doll^{rs} ffive thousand twenty three & one sattallee with the like interest And the Question being now putt whether the interest for the same should not cease from the time the Hon^{ble} Company were willing to pay the said sume with it's Interest to his Attorneys in England if they could give a Legall discharge, Declared that itt is due as the Interest of the other Bills. Mr Chardins bill ordered to be paid with Interest.

Agreed that M^{rs}. Mary Coopers Bill for Doll^{rs}. two thousand eight hundred thirty seven ½ succa be paid with the Interest as aforesaid. Mrs. Mary Coopers bill ordered to be paid with interest.

Agreed that the Minist^{rs}. & Church Wardens Bill for Doll^{rs}. six hundred sixty nine & three succas be paid with the Interest as aforesaid. Ministers and Church Wardens bill ordered to be pd. wth. Interest.

The Vizagapatam Mullah's petition now read setting forth that he haveing been sent for by the late Presid^{t}. Pitt being thought a fitt person to send with the then intended present produces an acco^{t}. of his Expences the Ballance thereof being pagod^{s}. twenty four & one fannam Ordered that the paymaster pay him the same, And that he be allow'd batty untill an oppertunity offerr's for his returning to Vizagapatam by Sea. Pa 24 : 1 Ordd. to be be pd. ye Vizagapatm. Mullah ye balla of his accot. & batty to be allow'd him while here.

The Petition of Francis Mender as attorney for the Heirs of Francis D^{e} Saa Dec^{d}. now read requesting the monys belonging to the Estate of s^{d}. De' Saa may be paid him, which is now in the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. Companys Cash, the Consideration of w^{ch}. is referr'd untill next Consultation. Attorney to ye Heirs of Frans De Saa demand ye ballce of yt Estate in the Comps Cash.

Ordered that Henry Williams be entertain'd to serve in the Gunnroome in this Garrison. Englishman Entertain'd in ye Gunnroome.

M^{r}. Edm^{d}, Mountague pays into Cash pagodas ffifty two being for permission of passage to the ffollowing person's on Ship Heathcote for England. Pa. 52 pd. in for permission of passage.

M^{r}. Edward ffenwick ... pagd^{s}	...	...	...	26 :	—	—
M^{r}. Thomas Harris's Child ...	...	...	..	26 :	—	—
			Pa. ...	52 :	—	—

WILL : FRASER.
EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.
EDW^{D}. BULKLEY.
W^{M}. JENNINGS.

19 Satturday in the evening itt rain'd very much and about 8 at Night began to Thunder and Lighten which was very violent (for about an hour) by which the Flagg staff was rent and shatter'd from the Top to the Ground some peices flew near 600 Feet and thousands of small peices strew'd the Curtains and other places a Large Iron hoope was burst from the Mast and flew near 200 Feet and two holes struck thro' the truck as tho' itt had been with a Shott.

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The Companys house att the Garden was likewise damaged at the southermost end one leaf of a window being shatter'd to peices and one side of the Frame much rent the door peirced thrô in severall places and the upper part of the Frame much scorched whereby itt was rendered unservisable the Wall was peirced thro' in two places one hole just above the Terrass being about 5 Inches Diamiter and the other which went beneath the beams that bears up the Terrass was about 7 Inches Diamiter and the beam next the Wall was likewise peirced thro' in two places and all this with little or no wind.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

Monday 21

WILLIAM FRASER Esq^R. President & Governo^r.
EDM^D. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.

WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Gnll. Letter from Fort St. David rec^d & read.

Generall Letter from the Provissionall Deputy Govern^r. & Councill of Fort S^t. David rec^d. read.

West Coast bill ordd. to be pd amo pa. 15283 : 10 : 2.

The Accomptant produces an Acco^t. of the following West Coast Bills with the Interest of 6 ℔ Ct. on the same amounting to pagodas 15283 : 10 : 2 Viz^t.

	Doll^rs.	Suca^s Satt Doll^rs.	Pa fa ca.	
Owners of Ship Resolution ...	14357 :	3 :— at 17 ℔ pa	8445 : 26 : 8	
		10 Yr mo^s ds		
		2 : 3 : 1 Interest	1141 : 20 : 5	
				9587 : 11 : 2
Mr. Chardin	5023 :—1	... ...	2954 · 28 —	
		2 : 3 : 1 Int.	399 : 13 : 5	
				3354 : 5 : 5
M . Mary Cooper	2837 :—1	... ...	1668 : 35 —	
		2 : 3 : 1 Int.	225 : 21 : 1	
				1894 : 20 : 1
Ministers & Church Wardens.	669 :—3	... ...	393 : 35 —	
		2 : 3 : 1 Int.	53 : 10 —	
				447 : 9 :—
	22887 : 3 : 1		Pa	15283 : 10 : 2

A present to be sent Nabob Dow'd Cawn not exceed pa 650.

Wee haveing rec^d. a Perwanna from Nabob Dow'd Cawn by which he has Ordered Yellapau to deliver us the five new villages which was formerly given by him about two years ago, and since haveing recalled them, does now confirm them too us again, And in regard of his being very much in the Kings Favour and the great men att Court, to which place he is Ordered too return it's belived he will be advanced to higher Dignityes, where his Freindship may stand us in good stead, for which purpose it is consider'd to what amount a present may be acceptable too him as usuall upon the Change of Government Agreed a Present be sent him in such raritye as are procurable not exceeding six hundred and ffifty pagodas.

De Saa Estate amo to pa 976 ordd to be pd Fran^s Mendez.

The petition of Francis Mendez as attorney to the Heirs of Francisco D^e Saa's Estate was this day debated and also the vallidditty of the Power sent from Portugall The said Francis Mendez Offerring to give security to endemnify the Govern^r. & Councill & their successors.

Agreed that the security be taken and the Ballance of Francisco D^e Saa Estate now in the Companys Cash being pagodas nine hundred seventy six be paid y^e s^d Fran^s Mendez.

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Agreed that the sentinall now on Capt Seaton be taken off and that he have Liberty to walke a broad but not permitted to wear a sword. Capt Seaton enlarged.

Discoursed on the sale of the Companys Lead of w^ch. have a large quantity by us and in consideration that the Pegu Shipping may arrive here about three months hence on whom come large quantitys of Gance the cheapness of which mettle has for some years lower'd the price of the Companys Lead. The Ware-housekeepr to sell lead at pa 6½ ℔ cent.

Agreed therefore that the Warehousekeeper doe sell Lead for the most he can gett butt not cheaper then pagodas six and halfe ℔ candy.

WILL: FRASER.
EDM^D. MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICH^D. HUNT.
EDW^D. BULKLEY.
W^M. JENNINGS.

Shipps Frederick & Concord came into the Road haveing roadd out the Monsoon in the offing. 22

Came in the Hallifax who had done the same. 23

ATT A CONSULTATION.

Present.

WILLIAM FRASER, Esq^R.	Presid^t. & Govern^r.	THURSDAY 24^TH
EDM^D. MOUNTAGUE.	WILLIAM MARTIN.	
ROBERT RAWORTH.	THOMAS FREDERICK.	
RICHARD HUNT.	EDWARD BULKLEY.	

WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Generall Letter from M^r. Noden att Metchlepatam dated y^e 6^th Inst^t. Rec^d. & Read. Letter from Mr. Noden.

A Letter from Nabob Dow'd Cawn rec^d. Yesterday was now read in answer to M^r. Mountagues Letter reciting Govern^r: Pitts being gone home and the Death of Govern^r. Addison and that they expected the Arrivall of the Present Govern^r. From ffort S^t. David who he belives is now come promising us his continuall Freindship, but closes up all with his Expecting an acceptable present should be sent him. Letter from Nabob Dowd Cawn expecting a present from ye The. Comp^y.

Upon which the Council this day mett in Order to the veiwing and valluing such things as may be acceptable to him which to make itt soe it's belived must exceed the P^a. 650 agreed on last Consultation day, severall Merch^ts. being sent for and consulted what propper to be sent, they deliver in the following list.

		P^s.
Broadcloth Ord^ry. Red	...	6
Broadcloth Ord^ry. Green	...	6
Aurora	...	6
Scarlett	...	4
Scarlett Flowr'd & Figur'd	...	2
Violett in Grain	...	2
Gold cloth	...	6
China silks	...	10
Looking glass	...	2
Liquors ... ... bottles	...	400

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All which the Warehousekeepr. is Ordered to provide, with an Accott. of the same, of how much they may amount too.

Paymasters acct for Sepr.

Mr. Raworth for the late President Addison reads the Paymasters Acct. for the Month of September last and also Acct. of the Black Town Wall & Works for sd. Mo.

Charges Garrison	1358:	18
Charges Dyett & allowances	645:	17
Accott. Present	20:	11
Charges Generall	363:	...
ffortifications & Repairs	347:	20
Charges cattle	37:	5
Charges extraordinary	32:	1
Maddapollam yatch	1:	24
Riseing Sun Smack	2:	18
ffort St. David	8:	...
Accott. Curt. Bombay	18:	24
Charges in Brass Ordnance	50:	31
Pas. ...	2885:	25

Warehouse acct. read for Sepr.

Mr. Raworth late Warehousekeepr. reads his Warehouse Acct. for the Month of September last.

Ditto for Octor.

Mr. Martin Warehousekeepr. reads his Warehouse Acct. for the Month of October last.

Petition of ye Metchlepatam Merchts

Metchlepatam & Maddapollam Merchts. Peticon read relating to their old Debt due to them ye Consideration of wch. is refferr'd untill another Consultation.

Petns of the sevll Creditors of Henry Gryffith and Char. Bugden.

Petition from the severall Credditors of Henry Gryffyth & Charles Bugden (Decd.) read Requesting the Monys soe long since deposited in the hands of Mr. Raworth may be divided amoungst them ꝑsuant to the oppinion of the Govr. & Councill as Entr'd in Consultation ye 30th Decr. 1708, Agreed & Ordered that the Dividend be made accordingly.

ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.
EDWD. BULKLEY.
WM. JENNINGS.
WILL: FRASER.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.

26 Dispatch'd a Genll. Letter to the Provisslt. Deputy Governr. &cs. Council at Fort St. David.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
RICHARD HUNT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
EDWD. BULKLEY.

WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Pa 2000 acct. Sea Customes.

Mr. ffrederick late Sea Customer pays into the Rt. Honble Comps Cash pagodas two thousand on Acct. Sea Custom's.

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M^r. Raworth Sea Custom^r. reads his Acco^t. Sea Custom's for the month of October last. Sea Customs accot. read.

Custom on Goods Imported	...	...	...	471 : 7 : 26
Custome on Grain ..	...	...	...	78 : 21 : 26
Anchorage	...	...	...	58 : 18 : —
		Pa.	...	608 : 16. 4

M^r. ffrederick Paymaster reads his paymast^rs Acco^t. for the month of October last & also the acco^t. of the black Town Wall works for said month. Paymas rs. Accot read.

Charges Garrison ...	...	...	...	...	1304 : 26 :
Charges Dyett & allowance	...	...	...	...	288 : 30 :
Accot. Present ...		...	...	..	12 : 18 :
Charges Genenall ...	...	...	...	...	356 : 11 :
Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	...	170 : 35 :
Charges Cattle ...	...	...	...	...	86 : 19 :
Charges Extraordinary ...	...	...	...	...	120 : 7 :
Acco^t. Curr^t. Bombay ...		...	...	...	10 : 5 :
Charges in makeing brass Ordnance		...	...	...	4 : 24 :
Fort S^t. David ...	...	...	...	...	37 : 28 :
			Pa	...	2342 : 23 :

Ordered that pagodas Eighteen 1 Fa: 35 Ca be paid the Paymaster being what Disburst on Acco^t of the Black Town Wall. Pa. 18 : 1 : 35 pd acct. Black town Wall.

William Fraser Esq^r. Minstmaster reads the Mint acco^t for the m^o of October last and pays into Cash for Custom on Coinage of Gold Pa 110 : 25 : and also pay's into the Warehousekeeper Rupees 1,287 : 2 an : for Custome on Coinage of Silver Pa 110: 25 Acct Coinage Gold Rups 1,287. 8 an Do. Silver.

Colloway and Vincattee Chittee pays into Cash pagodas twelve hundred for rent of the ffive new villages for one year Ending the 16^th October last. £ 1,200 for rent [of] new Villages.

Ponnagattee Narso &c^a. Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pays into Cash Pagodas ffive hundred Eighty three 12 fas: And also pagod^s. 41 ; 24 fas in part of their former Debt due to the Old Company. Pa 583 : fa 12 Beetle Farmers.

Gruapaw &c^a Arrack Farmers pays into Cash pagod^s. three hundred sixteen 24 fas on that Acco^t. Pa 316 : 24 [pd by] Arrack Farmrs.

A Letter rec^d from Nabob Daw'd Cawn demanding of us the Town Rent for the Last year ending the 30^th June desireing the same might be paid to Sheak, as likewise a Letter from him desireing the same might be paid his servant Saibroy agreed the same be paid w^th. the accustomary Present. Pa 1,2000 pd for Town rent.

The President produces a bill of Exchange from the Proviss^ll. Deputy Gov^r. & Council at Fort S^t. David for pa: 200 which was paid into the R^t. Hon^ble. Comp^s Cash there payable to himselfe agreed the same be paid accordingly. Pa 200 pd y Bill Exc^a. at Fort S^t. David.

A Generall Letter from M^r. Noden at Metchlepatam dated y^e 10^th Inst. Rec^d. & Read adviseing he has drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for pa 675 : 34 : 3 payable to Kittee Narran being for Factory expences Charges of the Gusbadar & Provission of Firewood there Agreed the same be paid accordingly. Pa 675 : 34 : 3 pd M^r. Nodens Bill Exch^a.

Generall Letter from Govern^r: Skingle (and his new made Councils) att York Fort dated the the 10^th & 14^th August Last sent ♆ Ship Essex who arrived at Fort S^t. David (y^e 24^th Inst^t.) & from thence overland (Now read) with an Enclosed Gen^ll Letter for the Hon^ble Mannag^rs. and the Council for the United Trade in Bengall. Lettr. from ye Govr. & Council at York Fort.

A Commission for appointing M^r. Edm^d. Mountague Deputy Govern^r of Fort S^t. David (of y^s days date.) Read & Signed. Mr. Mountagues Commission Sign'd.

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Employ of the Councill Ordered.

Upon Mr. Mountagues goeing to Fort St. David the Employs of the Council will be as follows wch they are to enter upon the 1st of next month.

Mr. William Martin second & Book keepr
Mr. Robert Raworth third & Warehousekeepr
Mr. Thomas Frederick fourth & Sea Customr
Mr. Richard Hunt fifth & paymaster
Mr. Edward Bulkley Sixth & Land Customr
Mr. William Jennings seventh & Store Keepr

One entertain'd in ye Gunroome.

Ordered that John Baptistee be entertain'd to serve as one of the Gunroome Crew.

Pa 50 : pd accot Town Conicoplys Duty.

Ordered that the Town Conicoplys Duty be paid for six mos, ending ye ulto. October last amounting to pagods, 50.

Pa 200 : advanced ye Washers.

Agreed that the Washers be advanced pagods. 200 to buy Paddy for the congeing the Rt. Honble Comps Cloth.

WILL: FRASER.
EDMd MOUNTAGUE.
W. MARTIN.
ROBt. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHd: HUNT.
EDWd: BULKLEY,
Wm: JENNINGS,

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

[DECEMBER]
THURSDAY 1st.

WILLIAM FRASER Esqr., PRESIDt. & GOVERNr.
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMs. FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWd. BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Pa 1790 recd. accot. Quitt Rents Pa 103 : 32 : 40 Accot Scavengers Duty.

Mr. Hunt Rentall Genll: reads his Accot. Quitt Rents ending Ulto. August 1709 and pays into Cash pagods. one thousand seven hundred and Nenety, And also his Scavengers Accot. ending Ulto. Septr. 1708 and pays into Cash on yt. accot. Pagods. one hundred and three 32ta: 40ca being ye Balle. thereof.

Mint people at Fort St David request to coin rupees there.

Petition of the Mint People at Fort St. David and Cuddalore now read requesting they may be permitted to coin rupees there the consideration of wch is refferr'd to another Consultation.

Captn. Plumb requests accot. of ye Estate of Mr. Haines.

Petition of Captn. Thomas Plumb as attorney for Captn Thos Greenhaugh now read relating to the Estate of Mr. John Haines Decd. Ordered that the Petition be deliver'd Mr. Mountague Trustee to the said Estate for to give his answer thereto.

Metchlepatm Merchts request yr. debt may be paid referr'd to ye President.

The New Companys Merchts of Metchlepatam and Maddapollam their Petition now discoursed on which is as entr'd after this Consultation upon which itt was proposed whether the Matters of the New Companys debt due to them should be mannaged in publick before the board or privately by any one member. It's agreed that the President Transact that affair himselfe Privately which he consents too provided he has any one or two of the Gentlemen of Councill to be as faithfull Wittnesses of his transacting a matter of soe great a moment.

Petition of Berry Rammapau now read relating to his Fathers Estate in the hands of Serapa which he has never Accounted for Ordered the same be referr'd to the Mayrs. Court.

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Capt^{a}. Rich^{d} Phrip Command^{r}. of the Frederick this day deliver'd in an Acco^{t} Sign'd by him of his Charges and Disburstm^{ts}. whilest he Lay at Negapatam by Order of the Company Am^{o}. to Pago^{s} 142 : 1 : 50 occasion'd by the Presents he made the Dutch Govern^{r} &c^{a}. there (who were very kind and assistant to him) and the refresment for the Souldiers, which sume he could have saved had he proceeded directly to this Port. Pa 142 : 1 : 50 pd Capt Phrip for Charges at Negapatam.

Ordered the same be paid out of Cash and Coppy of s^{d}. Acco^{t}. be sent home ℔ the first oppertunity.

The Europe Shipps haveing been for some days come into the Road Agreed the Ledd be continued on board untill further order. Lead ordered to be continued on board the Europe Shipps.

M^{r} Abell Langelier was sent for and his Covenants with y^{e} bond to perfforme them were tendered him, who refus'd to Sign them alledging his relations had desired him to come home and that he intends for England by the next shipping. Mr Langalier refuses to sign his Covenants.

A Commission was this day read and Sign'd appointting George Vivar second Lieutenant of the Company of soldiers att Cuddalore he being a Supēr Numerary Officer here. Capt^{n}. Vivars Commissn sign'd

This day was deliver'd M^{r}. Mountague his Comission for appointing him Deputy Govern^{r} of Fort S^{t}. David &c^{a} and Establishing the Council there, who is desir'd to sett out for that place with all expedition y^{e} Companys affairs requiring him there. Mr Mountague Commission DD.

Our Cheif Merchants and inhabitants were this day sent for and consulted about what Necessary to be done with y^{e} ℔^{e}sent Long since design'd for the King in the Late Govern^{r} Pitts time who are still of their former Oppinions which agreed with ours which was, that, that part of the ℔^{e}sent now att Metchlepatam be forthwith sent to Gulcondah and Lodged with the Suba there untill the Kings further Pleasure be known he haveing sent a Gusbadar to conduct itt safe too him who arrived att Metchlepatam y^{e} 11th August Last itt being Herculian Labour for us to send it too Dilhee it being little less then 2000 Miles and would be an immense charge to the Company. Agreed that M^{r}. Noden President att Metchlepatam be advised of this our Resolution and that he acquaint the Gusbadar thereof. That part of ye present now at Metchlepatm for ye king to be sent to Gulcondah.

Ordered that Cosmo Dias and John Antunis Topāzes be entertaind as soldiers to serve in this Garrison. Topozaz Soldiers entertain'd.

Agreed y^{t} pagod^{s}. one thousand be advanced M^{r}. ffrederick Late paymaster to defray charges Garrison for Last month. Pa 1000 pd ye paymastr.

Tho : Frederick.	Will: Fraser.
Rich^{d}. Hunt.	Edm^{d}. Mountague.
Edw^{d}. Bulkley.	W. Martin.
W^{m}. Jennings.	Rob^{t}. Raworth.

To the Hon^{ble} W^{m} ffraser Esq.
Presid^{t}.& Govern^{r} of Fort S^{t}. George
for affairs of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} United East India Comp
&c^{a} Council.

The hum^{e} Petition of the Metchlepatam and Maddapollam Companys Merch^{ts}. Humble sheweth

That y^{r} Petitioners came to the place about five years past, some of which are return'd home and desire y^{r} Pet^{rs}. would receive the Companys debts for 'em soe your Pet^{rs} haveing waited a Long time hoped your Ho^{r}. &c^{a} would have shew'd some favours to them towards paym^{t}. of the Debts but have rec^{d}. none att all, and since yo^{r} Pet^{rs} forefathers have been all Companys Merch^{ts}, do' hope at Length you'l take notice of them and pay the Princip^{ll} and Interest accord^{g} to the bond, as also consider the Loss they sustain'd by Consult[n] Pitts takeing but one fourth part of the

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Investment he had agreed for Now if your Hon.r &ca will pay your Petitioners, they will returne home, otherwise desire Leave to apply themselves to justice where they think the[y] can have itt, please to take ye a foregoing into your serious consideration.

& yor Petrs. shall ever pray &ca.

2 Arrived ye. Titty Gally Captn Weoley from Bengall
Ditto Ships Kent & Sommers from Ditto.

ATT A CONSULTATION

SATTURDAY 3.

Present

WILLIAM FRASER Esqr. President & Governr:
EDMD. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Comdrs. of ye. Kent come on Shoar & bring Genll. Lettrs. from ye. Bay.

Captn. Harrison & Capta. Peacock Commandrs. of Ship's Kent & Sommers came on shoar this morning by whom recd. the ffollowing Genll. Letter's from the Council in Bengall one dated ye. 19th October, & ye 14th Novemr. for the United affairs, And Also one from ye Council for the Seperate Affairs of the old Company dat ye 14th Ulto. wth. their Consultations & Genll. books.

Batty on ye. Madrass rupee fallen to 6½ ℔ Ct.

The Kings Treasurs. refusing ym.

The Council in Bengall in their Genll. Letter now recd dat ye 19th October doe advise of the fall of the Batty on Madrass rupees from 9 to 6½ ℔ Ct by reason the Kings Treasurer would not receive them, nor will the shroffs there for that reason It's therefore agreed & ordered that the Warehousekeepr. deliver no more silver into the Mint and that no more rupees be coin'd then what they have already in the Mint but that itt be an additionall article in our Petition intended to King Shau Allem that they may be made Currt. all over his Dominions.

Stores on ye Kent Somrs. Ordd. to be uloden.

Agreed & Ordered that all Stores &ca. Goods on board Ship's Kent & Sommers be forthwith unloaden Excepting such as are design'd for Europe wch. the Warehousekeepr & Storekeepr are to take care of.

Old stores in ye Goedowns Ordd. to be sold.

There being about 4000 Md of Rice on board the Kent & Sommrs from Bengall, The Warehousekeepr is therefore Ordered to dispose of the old Stores of Rice & Paddy now in the Goedowns for the Benefitt of the poor & to give a check to the Extravigant Price of Grain.

Pa. 10,000 pd. in accot. Gold ℔ the Heathcote.

William ffraser Esqr. Mintmaster pays into Cash pagodas ten thousand in part of Gold recd. ℔ Ship Heathcote.

Metchlepatam &ca Merchts. sent for abot. Chey goods.

The Merchts. were this day sent for & the Comps Musters of Metchlepatam Goods shew'd them & discoursed of what Ordered to be provided by the Company, who desired they might have time to consider thereon.

Present sent to Doud Cawn.

Agreed that the Present for Nabob Dow'd Cawn as mention'd in our Consultation of the 24th Ulto be reduced to the ffollowing Perticulars:

Figured or Flowr'd Broadcloth	2 ps ..	262:	18:
Broadcloth Ordinary redd	2 ..	22:	..
Broadcloth Ordinary Green	2 ..	22:	..
Aurora	2 ..	34:	..
Scarlett fine	2 ..	60:	..
Violett in Grain	2 ..	56:	..
China Silks	10 ..	80:	18:
Looking Glass's	2 ..	22:	..
Persia Silks	4 ..	187:	..
Liquors	Bottles 400 ..	132:	..
	Pags. ..	878:	..

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Ordered that Gensalvo Perero be entertain'd to serve in the Gunnroome.

EDW^{D}. BULKLEY. WILL: FRASER.
WM. JENNINGS. EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE,
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Arrived the Elihee Mahomed Faqua Noquedah from Bengall. 4
Ditto the Mary Capt^{a}. Ouldham from Bengall 5
Ditto a Sloop Richard Collins Master from Bengall —

Capt^{a} Harrison requesting he may be permitted for to Travers one hundred Bales of the Companys on board the Hallifax & Frederick for the clearing of his Ship and unlading the Stores for this place Agreed that the Warehousekeeper doe Order the same.

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Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^{R}. President & Govern^{r}. TUESDAY 6.
EDM^{D}. MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT. EDWAD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Capt^{a}. Edward Harrison Comd^{r}. of the Kent delivers in a paper (which is as enterd after this Consultation) requesting a speedy Dispatch and demanding his Loading in 30 days.

Comdrs. of ye. Kent in a paper demanding his Loading in 30 days.

The President reads his Acco^{t}: of Cash for last month the Ball^{e}, whereof is pagod^{s}. 2890 : 22 : 1.

Balla. Cash acco^{t}. Pa. 2890 : 22 : 1.

Capt^{a}. Harrison delivers a Letter from the United Council in Bengall wherein they request a gathering may be made in this Place towards the building the Church there.

Lett^{r}. from ye. bay requesting a gathering here for ye. Church.

Read and approved a Letter to Nabob Dowd Cawn and also one to Nellacontee Naigue a Merch^{t} residing at his Camp desireing him to deliver the Present for us to the Nabob which was this day dispatched with 29 Cooleys.

Lett^{r}. to ye. Nabob Read & approved.

There being an Ensign Wanting in this Garrison and David Simms a Serjant being a sober man and haveing a good charrecter agreed & ordered that he be appointed fourth Ensign.

David Simms made an Ensign.

Ordered that the Warehousekeep^{r}. & Storekeep^{r}. doe lay before the board an Acco^{t}. of what remains in the Goedowns & a list of what wanted from Europe in Order to be sent home ℔ next Shipping.

List Stores &c^{a} remaining in ye. Goedowns & what wanted from Europe to be laid before ye. board.

The Warehousekeep^{r} produces an Acco.^{t} of what Goods are in the Goedowns and Washers hands Agreed and Ordered he forthwith send of Goods in Order to the loading of the Kent with the uttmost expedition.

Goods Ordered to be Loaden on ye Kent.

Capt. Henry Hudson delivers in an Acco.^{t} of his expences, and charges of the Companys Soldiers whilest he lay at Negapatam am^{o} to pagod.^{s} 153 : 4 : 50 being to the same Purpose as y^{t} of Capt.^{a} Phrips.

Pa 153 : 4 : 50 p.d Capt.^{a} Hudson for Charges &c^{a} at Negapatam.

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Agreed that the same be paid out of Cash & the Acco.t sent home to the Company.

Pa 1000 for Charges Garrison.

Agreed that pagodas one thousand be advanced Mr Hunt Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Lettr. from ye Dutch.

Genll Letter from the Governr &c Council at Negapatm. and Chief and Council at Pollicatt now read assureing us of their Mutial Freindship and correspondence.

3 ℔sons rais't out of ye Arrack &ca Cowle.

Agreed that Corruna Moortena Surapa & Ramana be rais't out of the Cowle of ye Distillers of Arrack &ca the first being dead the 2d refuseing to act, and the 3d. being soe troblesome that the rest of the ffarmers will not continue their cowle with him.

Genll Lettrs: to Metchlepatam & Vizagap.a read & approved.

A Generall Letter to Mr Noden relating to the dispatch of ye. Present at Metchlepatam & to advice us the now prizes of Comps. sorts of Chey Goods there now read & approved & also one to the Cheif and Council at Vizagapatam (ye Kent & Sommers not touching being apprehensive the French Ships were on the Coast) to Order them to send up what Bales they have ready on the Companys Smack or any other good Vessell bound for this Port.

Soldier Dischgd.

Francis Feron'd haveing served the Company above twenty years requests his discharge which is Granted.

Pa: 400: advanced ye Paintrs.

Ordered that Pagodas four hundred be advanced the Paintrs and that the Warehousekeeper do adjust yt Acco.t

Richd Hunt.	Will: Fraser.
Edw.d Bulkley.	W: Martin.
Wm Jennings.	Tho: Frederick.

To the Hon: ble the President &c.a

Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. &ca

Haveing at my first comeing a Shoar made a verball demand of my Ladeing for Europe ys time for Ship Kents stay in India by Charterparty being long since expired I take ye liberty to repeat the same in writing, beseeching you to take into consideracon that I have been already upwards of three years on this Voyage and that I have almost certain assurance by a speedy dispatch from hence to reach and joyn the Dutch ffleet at the Cape of Good Hope, soe as to arrive by Gods blessing a summer ship in England I need not insist ye. advantage this will be to all concernd nor the Dangers a winter ship will be exposed to after haveing been soe long out but leave itt to your prudent Judgment, & am now to demand my Ladeing in thirty days at farthest as limited in Charterpary and in case of failure I find my selfe oblidg'd to protest and make the best of my way for England If I may have the happiness to be sooner dispatch'd, the certainty of joyning the Dutch will be the greater I begg your pardon for this trouble and am with all respect

Fort St. Geo:ge
Decr ye 5th 1709.

Honble &ca Your most humble Servant

E. Harrison

6. Dispatch'd peons with Generall Letters to Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam.

7 Sloop Dutchess arrived from Vizagapatam.

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ATT a CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 8.

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ.R PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
EDMOND MOUNTAGUE. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT. EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Peons 14 Ord.d to be taken in

The chief peon accquainting us that there is not peons enough to doe the Companys business, and that itt has allways been customary to keep two hundred (in which the packers and severall others are included) of which number there wants fourteen agreed that they be taken in.

Instructions to Edmd Mountague Esq.r Deputy Governr. &ca. Council att Fort S.t David approved and Sign'd.

Instructions to ye Deputy Govr & Council approved & Sign'd.

Letter from Surrat

Generall Letter from Surratt dated ye 29th Sept.r Last Rec.d via Ponticherry now read.

A pass granted Geo: Weoley.

Capt.a George Weoley requesting a pass, that he now has being from the late President Pitt, and alledgeing he has paid the Companys Tonnage in Bengall wch they Oblidged him to there, Agreed a Pass be given him and that he be excused paying ye Tonnage.

Petition of appeal Benyon Vers Chardin

M.r Bernard Benyon delivers in a Petition by way of Appeal from a Judgment in the May.rs Court between himself as attorney for Thom.s Pitt Esq.r in behalfe of John Mendez de Coasta, And the Heirs of Daniel Chardin Dec.d.

Ordered that the same be heard on Monday next.

Accot Estate of Mr Haines.

Persuant to an Order of Consultation of ye 1o Ins.t M.r Mountague in answer to Capt.a Plumbs Petition delivers in an acco.t of the Estate of M.r John Haynes deceased the Ballance whereof is Viz.t

In ye hands of M.r Henry Davenport at Intest P.a	..	2343 : 7 : -
In ye hands of M.r Mountague	..	1102 : 35 : 2
Pa.	..	3446 : 6 : 2

One of ye Gunroome crew discharged.

Thomas Floodgate one of the Gunroome Crew was this day discharged att his own request.

WILL : FRASER.
W : MARTIN.
EDW.D BULKLEY. ROBT RAWORTH.
WM : JENNINGS. THOO : FREDRICK.

9. The Governr attended by Mr. ffrederick Mr. Hunt & the Secry. this morning went down on the Parade, where he ordered the Soldiers to be drawn out, and then Ordered the Secry. to read Samuel Gales Commission, sign'd by the Governr. and Council appointing him Second Lieutenant of the Second Company of Souldiers in this Garrison, which accordingly was done and the Governr deliver'd the same to the said Gale who return'd itt back again, alledgeing that he received a Commission from the Company which Geovernr Pitt took from him, and that he would act by no other upon which the Governr. immediately tooke from him his halfe pike and Discharged him.

David Simms's Commission was also read appointing him Second Ensign in the First Company.

Edmond Mountague Esqr. Deputy Geovr. of Fort St. David ys day sett out for yt place.

11. Genll. Letter sent to the Chief & Council att Pollicatt.

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Monday 12. At a Consultation

Present

William Fraser Esq^{R}.	President & Govern^{R}.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.
Edward Bulkley.	William Jennings.

Letter from Mr Noden & ye Guzbadar att Metchlepatam.

Letter from M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 30th. Novem^{r} now read adviseing of the alterations in the Government there, but after soe confused a manner that there is nothing to be understood by itt And also a letter from the Gusbadar there dated the 28th Ult.^{o}, the Purport whereof is that he is weary of staying there and intends to sett out for this place to discourse the Govern^{r}. about the Present intended for the King now Lying there.

Metchleptm Merchts. Petition.

Metchlepatam and Maddapollam Merch^{ts} Petition now read relating to what due to them from the New Company being to the same Purport as there other Petitions, enter'd in our former Consultations agreed y^{t} a Coppy be sent home.

Town Conicoplys Duty settled by Casts.

There haveing been a dispute about the allowance of the 100 pagod^{s}. ℔ ann for the Town Conicoplys duty between Mangapa y^{e} now Cheif Conicoply and Taggapau, Which was referr'd to the heads of the Cast to examine the same who now deliver in their Report the Purport of which is that itt should be equally divided between them and that Mangappa be Cheif in the Mannagement of their business.

Ordered that the said Report be register'd on the Choultry.

Appeal of Mr Benyon, heard & debated.

Persuant to an Order of Last Consultation, this day appear'd M^{r}. Benyon and produced us a Letter of attorney from John Mendez de Coasta to y^{e} Late Geov^{r} Pitt, and his Letter of Attorney to s^{d}. Benyon empowring him to demand the produce of two Chests of Corrall formerly sent out to M^{r} Chardin and Company, And there also appear'd M^{r}. Henry Davenport & Bôon in behalfe of the Executrix of said M^{r}. Chardin Dec^{d}. both partys were fully heard & all Papers produced relating to the said affairs the consideration of which is refferr'd to next Consultation.

Mr Brigenden Lays down the service.

Richard Brigenden Petitions to lay down the Comp^{s}. Service which is Granted, and is as Entr'd after this Consultation.

Samll Gale discharged & ye reasons why

Samuel Gale delivers in a Petition or rather a Remonsterance which is as Entr'd after this Consultation Upon which it's observed, that Govern^{r}. Pitt took up his Comiss^{n} soon after his arrivall here as ℔ Consultation of 11th Jan^{ry}. last and offerr'd him one sign'd singley by himself which he refused to accept of, but has acted as 2^{d} Leuitenant of the 2^{d} Company of Souldiers, ever since his arrival here, in which post the now Govern^{r} found him, (secondly) the council doe declare that the said Gale made his application to the Late Govern^{r} Addison to be continued in the said Post, (thirdly) as to his being made a Leiutenant of a Company by himselfe is not consistant with the Rules and sentiments of the Late Govern^{rs} Pitt & Addison, because there would not be Men enough to mount y^{e} Main Guard and out gaurds by any one Company, or were itt soe itt would give the Souldiers to frequent free gaurd day's, on which they are subject to drunkeness & Debaucherry, (fourthly) their haveing immediate Comissions from the Hon^{ble} Company fills them soe much with the Wind of Hon^{r}: that they belive they are on an equall footing w^{ch}. the Govern^{r}. and Council and that it is not in their power to remove or displace them.

The Govern^{r}. acquaints the Council of the insolent behaviour of the aforesaid Gale and that he had discharged him (as ℔ diary of the 9th. Inst.) which is now unanimously confirme'd.

Capt.Harrison request 200 baggs salt-petre.

Capt^{a}. Edward Harrison Commandar of the Kent requests that he may have 200 baggs of salt petre more to make his ship sailworthy which is granted, and is as enter'd after this Consultation Ordered that y^{e} same request be sent home in y^{e} Packett.

Mr. Hiller Petitions to be restored to the Companys Service the consideration of which is referr'd to another Consultation.

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Agreed that Nicholas Williamson be entertain'd as a Souldier to serve in this Garrison.

Ordered that Shipps Kent & Sommers be surveigh'd and that the ffollowing persons doe the same Mr William Jennings, Capt.a Richd. Phrip, Captn. Thomas Plumb, Capt. John Ouldham and Gunner Attkinson. Survigh of Ship's Kent & Sommers Ordd.

The ffollowing Topaz Souldiers were this day discharged att their own request, Vizt. Diego Gomas, Francisco De Mount, Thomas Benny, Augustein De Cruize and Deigo De Lima. ffive Topaz Soldiers discharged.

EDWD BULKLEY. WILL: FRASER.
WM. JENNINGS. W. MARTIN.
BOBT RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

To THE HONble: THE PRESIDENT &
COUNCIL OF FORT St. GEORGE.

HONBLE: &cA.

Finding in my passage hither from Bengall that the quantity of Saltpetre Laden upon me by the Council of that place is not sufficient to secure my shipps bottom I desire you'l please to putt on board two hundred baggs more with all possible speed and am.

DECMR 9TH 1709.

Honble &ca.
Your most humble servt.
E. HARRISON.

To THE HONBLE: WILLIAM FRASER ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GEOVERNR. OF FORT St. GEORGE
&cA. COUNCIL.

I with all Submission offer these lines to your Honrs. consideration, I know no reason I have to receive any other Commission then what I brought out with me from the Honble. Company my Masters & I am ready to doe my duty as formerly and ffollow to the uttmost of my power all Commands that your Honr and Council are pleased to command, but since my Commission from England constitutes mee absolutely a Leiutenant of a Company of Foot Souldiers in this Garrison of Fort St. George I cannot in no measure understand the reason there is of my takeing a Commission as Second Leiutenant of the Second Company which is makeing me the Junior Lieutenant of this place. This is all I have to offer, and either desire yt. yor. Honours & Council will lett me Doe my duty as above said or be pleased to return me my Europe Commission & send me to England where I am certain of being provided for I am.

Your Obedient Servant.

To SAMLL. GALE.

To HONBLE. WILLIAM FRASER ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR OF
FORT St. GEORGE &cA. COUNCIL.

Honble. Srs.

This Country not agreeing with my constitution I humbly request of your Honrs. &ca leave to lay down the Company's service haveing an oppertunity to Embarque for England on the Sommers, I desire your Honrs may not think itt's out of any disrespect to the Honble Companys service but suffering soe much by the last hott season intimidates me of undergoeing another.

Honble. Srs.
Your most Oblidged humble
Servt.
RICHARD BRICKENDEN.

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THURSDAY, 15.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOVERN^R^.
WILLIAM MARTIM. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICH^D^. HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.

Batty of Madrass rupee in Bengall fallen to 6½℔ Ct.

The Paragra: of Bengall generall letter dated y^e^ 19^th^ Octo^r^. last rec^d^. p^r^ Ship Kent relating to the Batty on Rupees now discoursed off. And have come to receed from our order of consultation on the 3^d^ Ins^t^. for the ffollowing reasons (First) It is the quantities of Madrass rupees sent hence that makes the Batty fall (2^dly^) itt being supposed to be a trick of the shroffs in Bengall because the Mint att Rajamall is deprived of such a bulk of the Company's Treasuary as used to be coin'd there formerly which employ'd soe many hands, (3^dly^) the Rupees here are of same weight and purity

Reasons why.

dwt. gr.
of Matt (Viz^t^ 14 : 12) as ever they were since wee have had the priviledge of coining them, w^ch^ the Essay Masters and Mint Bramines offer to make good (4^thly^) should Wee once give way to suspect our own Mints, which are of an Established Reputation both in respect to Rupees and pagod^s^. all the Countrys about us, besides itt would touch our Merch^ts^. who bring in quantities of both Gold & silver to be coined with a Jellosey as if our Mints were degenerated, by which means the Company would be deprived of Revenue of between 10 & 12,000 pagod^s^. a year one year with another ariseing from the custome on coinage, The integrity of which Wee are resolved to support, and therefore itt is agreed and Ordered that a 1,000 of the Comp^s^. new coin'd rupees be taken and weigh'd & melted down into a cake, in the presence of Mess^rs^. Raworth & ffrederick, the two Essay Mast^rs^., and the Mint Bramines, and that 2 Essay's of y^e^. same be taken of about an Ounce each One to be sent home to the R^t^. Hon^ble^. Comp^a^. and the other down to Bengall w^ch^. the Sec^ry^. is Ord^d^. to acquaint the Essay Masters off.

An Essay of ym to be taken & sent to England & Bengall.

Appeal of M^r^. Benyon.

The consideration of the Petition of Appeal of M^r^. Bernard Benyon as mention'd in last Consultation being now reassumed, the Geovern^r^. & Council are come to this resolve, that they unanimously confirm the Judgment of the May^rs^. Court, and the Sec^ry^. is Ord^d^. to acquaint them of the same, and deliver back to both parties their respective papers.

Judgm^t^. of y^e^ May^rs^. Court Confirm'd.

Letter from Fort S^t^. David.

Generall Letter from M^r^. Farmer &c^a^. Council at Fort S^t^. David, dat. y^e^. 10^th^ Ins^t^. now read adviseing that they have in their godowns 472 bales of white Goods the quantity of 14 bales brown and such a number of peices of all sorts in the washers hands as will make up in the whole 770 bales.

Petition of John Domingos now read relating to a dispute between him and M^r^. John Davenport in matter of Acco^ts^. of a former Voyage in which they were both Cape Merch^ts^. togather Agreed the same be refferr'd to the May^rs^. Court.

Leiut. Gale on submission restored to his post.

Samuell Gale this day delivers in a very submissive & humble Petition (which is as Entr'd after this Consultation) wherein he beggs pardon for his fault and that he may be restored to his post w.^th^ which Wee are satisfied with this proviso that the said petition bee read att the head of both Companys (before he be reinstated) where he gave the Offence.

Mr. ffleetwood sent for about Mr. Cliffs affair.

M^r^. Edward Fleetwood was this day sent for and acequainted with what the Hon^ble^ Company has wrott relating to M^r^. Cliff, Cheif Supra Cargo of the Oley ffriggatt to Canton who desired that he might have coppy of that Parag relating to him & he would give answer thereto next consultation.

EDW^D^. BULKLEY. THO: FREDERICK. WILL: FRASER.
W^M^. JENNINGS. RICH^D^. HUNT. W: MARTIN.
R. RAWORTH.

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To the Hon:ble William Fraser Esqr.

Presidt. & Geovernr. of Fort St. George
&ca. Council.

The Humble Petition of Leiutenant Samll. Gale.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petr. being sencable of the Error he has committed with all due and humble submission addresses your Honr. &ca. Council and hopes you'l please to take his case into your consideration he being utterly ignorant of the great power your Honr. &ca. Council have in this place & always haveing been informed that whatever Comission the Honble: Company granted were prefferable to those given by your Honr. & Council, caused your Petr. to act as he has done both in speaking to your Honr. and also in his letter to your Honr. and Council, lickewise the Presidents he has had from others who have kept their Europe Commissions and have gott Companys which came out in the same ffleet with your Petitionr. made him presume to think he might reasonably desire the same but now being convinced of his fault, most humbly Implore's your Honrs and Councills pardon and hopes you'l please to consider your Petrs loss of time in comeing out, also his family which he in a little time expects, now humbly Implores your Forgiveness, and is with all thankfullness willing to receive your Honrs Comission always being willing and ready to serve your Honr and Council faithfully and discharge his Duty to the uttmost of his power and most earnestly desires he may be received into your Honr &ca Councils Favour, and your Petitionr, as in Duty bound shall ever pray &ca.

Persuant to ye Ordrs of Consultation, this day was read by the Secry, Samuell Gales Petition at the head of both Companys and the Governr deliver'd the said Gale his Commission. 16.

Sent a Genll Letter to Vizagapatam by peons overland.
Sailed the Tittee Gally George Weoley Master for the Coast of Monapatapa. 17.

Att a Consultation.

Present.

William Fraser Esq.	President & Governr:	Monday
William Martin.	Robert Raworth,	19
Thomas Frederick,	Richard Hunt.	
Edward Bulkley,	William Jennings,	

Storekeprs. Accot. read.

Mr. Bulkley late Storekeeper reads his Storekeprs Accot, for October & November last,

Mr. Fleetwood answer to what Demanded about Mr. Cliff.

Mr Edward ffleetwood this day according to his promise delivers in his answer to what demanded of him in relation to Mr. Cliff Supra Cargo on the Oley Friggatt, which is as Entr'd after this Consultation.

Three prsons discharged from the Gunroome.

John Tripilliam William Hall and Christopher Messer all of ye. Gunroome crew requesting there discharge wch: is granted they Oblidgeing themselves not to serve Armenians Moores or Gentues.

That part of ye Town next the River ord. to veiw'd.

Ordered that Mess Raworth and ffrederick with the Military Officers, and Gunner doe view that part of Town along the River side and make their Report of what they observe to be defective in order to have the same repair'd.

Samuel Manning delivers in a Petition requesting leave to goe for England which is granted he never haveing been detain'd.

Eawd. Bulkley.
Wm. Jennings.

Will: Fraser.
W: Martin.
R. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.
Richd. Hunt.

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To the Hon^ble William Fraser Esq^r.
Govern^r & Council.

Hon^ble S^r. &c^a.

I haveing rec^d by Ord^r of your Hon^r &c^a. Copy of a Paragraph in the Gen^ll Letter to Fort S^t. George & of the Heathcote relating to M. Cliffs affair in Canton wherein is mention'd the Loss of three chests of Treasure pretended to be stolen by the Ladroones, & M^r. Cliffs sending to Madrass upon the Hannover Friggatt a considerable quantity of Gold, which is very much suspected to be a part produce of s^d three chests of Treasure, of all which you haveing been pleased to command me to give you in writing the best information I can, I doe declare and am ready to assert the same upon oath when required that M^r. Cliff did not (to the best of my knowledge) send upon y^e. Hannover Friggatt more than one parcell of Gold q^tt^y five shoes weighing here fifty nine ounces and four penny weight consign'd to my selfe and M^r. Robert Wright with Orders to remitt the produce to England, which was accordingly done ℔ Ship Dutchess, and seven other parcells of Gold, weighing three hundred and fifty four Tale weight and two candareenes, consign'd to Mess^rs. Tho^s Wright and Gulston Addison which was delivered to s^d. M^r. Addison in y^e absence of M^r. Wright who was gone for England, As to the Loss of y^e 3 Chests treasure I can give you no other then a heresay acco^t. of itt, twas generally reported and as generally believed by all I ever heard speak of itt in Canton, that the said three Chests were taken out of a small Vessell goeing from Macoa to Canton by a parcell of Ladrones that sett upon the said Vessell, the Isopps people that were in the said Vessell affirm'd itt, & I never heard itt question'd by any of the Merch^ts. but on the contrary always spoke of as a certain truth, for my own part I never doubted the truth of itt, and the story they had Cur^t. amongst the Merch^ts. when I was last year at Canton in the Kent, (w^ch was) that some of the Mandarins had recover'd a good part of s^d. Treasure from y^e Ladrones since the Oley Friggatt left China is I think a sufficient confirmation of itt I am w^th. all respect.

Hon^ble S^r &c^a.
Your most hum^ble Serv^t.

Fort S^t. George, 15^th Dec^r 1709.

Edw^d. Fleetwood.

Att a Consultation
Present

William Fraser Esq^r.	Presid^t. & Govern^r.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.
Edward Bulkley.	William Jennings.
Jeremiah Harrison.	

Friday 23^d

Capta. Peacock requires his Loading in 30^ds

Capt^a. Peacock delivers in a paper demanding his Loading in thirty days which is as entr'd after this Consultation.

Paymasters accot read.

M^r. Frederick late Paymaster reads his paymasters Acco^tt. for November last viz^t.

	Pa.	Fa.
Charges Garrison	1,258:	15:
Charges Dyett & Stores bought	1,207:	22:
Charges Generall	668:	1:
Fortifications & Repairs	201:	28:
Charges Extraordinary	1,201:	16:
Charges Cattle	65:	16:
Brass Ordnance	11:	6:
Pagod^s. ...	4,713:	32:

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On the Ballance of said Acco^{tt}. there is due to M^{r}. ffrederick pagod^{s}. 556 : 19 : which is Ordered to be paid him.

Gen^{ll}. Letter from the Deputy Govern^{r}. & Council att Fort S^{t}. David Rec^{d}. y^{e}. 22 Inst^{t}. now read, adviseing their haveing drawn two Bills of Exchange on us, Viz.^{t} One payable to Suncarama for pagod.^{s} 3000, the other to M.^{r} John Bridges for pagod.^{s}. 500, for the like amount rec^{d} into the R.^{t} Hon^{ble}. Companys Cash there which Bills are accepted and agreed that they be paid when presented and become due.

Letter from D. Govr and Council at Fort St. David read.

They being in great Want att Fort S.^{t} David for Cloth to Cloath their Millitary, Ordered that ten bales of broad cloth Ord.^{r} and one bale of blew perpetuanoes be sent them for said use and one bale of Fine broadcloth for Present &c^{a}.

10 bales broadcloth 1 perpetuanoes ordd. to be sent to Fort St David.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Govern^{r} &c^{a} Council att Fort S.^{t} David in answer to theirs, now read approved & sign'd.

Lettrs to Dy. Govr. &ca at Fort St. David sign'd

The Paper Capt.^{a} Harrison wrott in answer to ours of y^{e} 22^{d} Inst.^{t} (both which are as enter'd after this Consultation) now read, and discoursed about what must be done with the Kent in case wee shall not gett in goods enough to Load her here in due time occasiond by the unseasonable weather at this time of year and the rains more or Less still continueing ; whether for continueing her here or to dispatch her for Fort S.^{t} David, where Wee belive there are more Bales than she can take in, but itt was alledged that a very few days, would bring in Cloth enough from the washers, and that itt would be more for the Reputation of this place to dispatch the said Ship from hence full Laden, o^{r} Resolution of this Matter is referr'd till next Consultation.

Discoursed on Dispatching ye Kent.

William Warre for Jane Cary Widdow produces a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Govern.^{r} and Council of York Fort payable to her Dec^{d} Husband for Doll^{rs} 954 : which belongs to severall ℔sons in this place and no part of the Estate of M^{r}. John Delapie Dec.^{d} from whom the Bill express's value Received; Ordered the same bee paid as the former Bills were.

West Coast Bill Ord.d to be p.d Jane Cary amg to Dolls 954.

M^{r}. Martin late Warehousekeep.^{r} reads his Warehouse Acco.^{t} for November last.

Warehouse Acco.^{t} read.

M^{r}. Hunt paymast^{r} Reports that he has Mustered, the Kent and Sommers's Ships Company, and that there are 72 Men on board y^{e} Kent & 82 on the Sommers.

Kent & Somers men Muster'd.

Agreed and Ordered that Ship Frederick be dispatch'd for the West Coast, And that the Warehousekeeper doe forthwith unload from her all the Companys Lead & steel St[ore] and putt on board 100 Tonns of Salt petree and 40 Tons Reddwood And 150 or 200 bales of Goods . . . for the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} : Comp^{s}. acco^{t}.

The Frederick to be dispatch'd for ye West coast.

Capt$_{a}$. Phrip being sent for was accquainted with this our resolution, & ordered to gett his Ship ready to Sail with all expedition.

Persuant to the R^{t}. Hon^{ble} : Comp^{ys} Orders in their Generall Letter ℔ the Heathcote for supervizeing & Examining their affairs on the Coast of Sumatra which are now made subbordinate and p[ut.] under the Controle of this place and itt being absolutly necessary to fix on persons fitt and well quallified to send thither of which there are but few in this place that can be spared from their employs here soe quallified to undertake soe great a Charge and trust, as to examine matters, and reforme the manners extravigances of those settlements which hath continued soe long for some years past.

West coast to be supervized.

Itt is unanimously agreed that M^{r}. Jeremiah Harrison being a person soe well quallified as above said, and that for the more respect to the Charrecter he goes with suitable to the great trust wee repose in him and the power Wee inten'd him by a

Mr. Harrison appointed.

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large and ample Commission. Wee therefore think itt very necessary (there being now two vacances) to appoint him of Council, who, has a right to itt by Merritt as well as seniority ꝑsuant to the R^t^. Hon^bl^s. Company's Orders, who being sent for was accquainted w^th^ the same which he thankfully accepted of and tooke his place accordingly next to M^r^. Jennings.

Mr. Ettrick is willing to goe. Hallifax

M^r^. Anthony Ettrick was sent for to whom Wee declared our Intentions of sending persons to the West Coast who readily offerd his service to goe as second of Council to M^r^. Harrison.

Ordr^d^. [for]. Ben all.

Agreed and Ordered that the Hallifax be dispatched with all convenient Expedition for Bengall and that the Warehousekeeper doe traverss the Companyas Lead from the ffrederick on board the Hallifax.

Capt^a^. Hudson was sent for and accquainted of this Ord^r^.

EDW^d^. BULKLEY. WILL: FRASER.
W^M^; JENNINGS. W: MARTIN.
J. HARRISON. ROB^t^. RAWORTH
THO: FREDERICK.

To CAPT^a^. EDWARD HARRISON
COMMD^r^. OF SHIP KENT.

WHEREAS you did on the 5^th^ Ins^t^. deliver in a paper to the Presid^t^ and Council then sitting wherein you desire of us the Lading of your Ship in the space of thirty days and after the expiration of which you declare you'l sail hence for England Laden or unladen, and that wee may not be taken att unawares, Wee doe therefore require and demand of you in writing under your hand a computation of what bales you may want to give your Ship a full Lading, that Wee may Order Matters accordingly soe as to keep as near as possible to the time you have prefix't for your goeing away. Wee are.

Your humble Servants,

FORT S^t^. GEORGE,
22^d^ DECEMBER 1709.

WILL^M^: FRASER.
WILL^M^: MARTIN.
ROB^t^. RAWORTH.
THO^s^. FREDERICK.
RICH^d^. HUNT.
EDW^d^. BULKLEY.
W^M^. JENNINGS.

To THE HON^BLE^: THE GEOV.
& COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

Hon^ble^. &c^a^.

In answer to a paper deliver'd me this day [by] M^r^. Sec^ry^. I can only say that haveing in the twenty days since my arrivall rec^d^. no more than 150 Bales tis impossible for me to make any exact computation what wee shall be a [ble] to take in. However I hope we shall carry our Tonnage [at] Least and will be sure to take in all you send till we are that is to say all that comes on or before the 4^th^ day of Jan^ry^. next being

DECM^R^. 22^d^. 1709.

Your Hon^r^. and Council's
most hum^ble^: Serv^t^.
E. HARRISON.

To THE HON^BLE^: WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. & GEOVERN^T^. &C^a^. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

Hon^ble^. &c^a^.

Being ordered by Charterparty to make a Verball demand for the Somers Lading thirty days before my whole time is exp[ired] I therefore take the liberty

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to acquaint y^r Hon^r. &c^a. Council of itt, bes[ides] you would take itt into consideration, that if itt can be possible [to] give us the remainder of Loading, so soon as to have any hop[e] in goeing home with the Dutch, it would be I think a very great advantage to our Hon^ble. Masters and a mighty sãfty to Ship a[nd] Cargo, by goeing home in summer time but if that can't [be] done then I favourably begg that Your Hon^r. &c^a. Council wo[uld] dispatch us soe soone as not to endure the extremity of wea[ther] as we may reasonably expect by being delay'd till the Last [day] of our time, and soe be oblidged to goe home in the Winter [from] this place quite to England, to the great hazord of ship and [Corgoe] these I hope your Hon^r. &c^a. Council will take into consideration and excuse him who is with all respect.

Your Honours most hum^ble Serv^t.,
EUSTACE PEACOCK.

FORT S^T. GEORGE, 22^D DECEM^R. 1709.

24. Dispatch'd Pattamars for Bengall, adviseing of our intentions [of] sending the Hallifax to them

28. Arrived from Bengall y^e S^t. Thoma.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

[TH]URSDAY 29

WILLIAM FRASER ESQ^R: PRESID^T. & GOVERN^R
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.
EDWARD BULKLEY. WILLIAM JENNINGS.
JERMIAH HARRISON. WILLIAM WARRE.

M^r. Thomas Frederick Sea Customer pays into the R^t. Hon^ble: Comp^s Cash on that Acco^t. pagodas ffifteen hundred being in part of a former ballance due. [Ps. 1,500.] p^d in acco^t Customes

Capt^a. Richard Phrip Command^r. of the ffrederick and Capt^a. Henry Hudson Command^r. of the Hallifax, doe severally deliver in Writing their requests to be paid their Charterparty mony being 1,050 Doll^rs. each for the victualling their Ships. [Capt^a,] Phrip & Capt^a. [Hudson] request their Charterparty mony.

Ordered that the Accomp^t. doe make up the acco^t. according to Charterparty and that the same be paid when due. [Mony] to be paid when [due.]

William Fraser Esq^r. Mintmaster pays into the R^t. Hon^ble: Comp^s. Cash pagodas one thousand nine hundr'd and ninety one 29^fa in full for acco^t. Gold Rec^d. ℔ Ship Heathcote. [Pd Pa 1991: 29fas. in full] [Acct Go] ld rec^d ℔ y^e Heathcote.

The Govern^r. produces to the Council two packetts seal'd containing the R^t. Hon^ble. Companys Secrett Ordêrs to their homeward bound Shipping. [Sealed] Ordrs. produced.

Generall Letter to the Hon^ble: Mannagers read and approved to the 23^d, Parãgra. Lett^rs. read to y^e [23d] Paragra.

Ponnagattee Narso &c^a Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay's into the R^t. Hon^ble. Companys Cash on that Acco^t. pagod^s. ffive hundred eighty three 12^fa. And on Acco^t. of their debt to the Old Company pagod^s. fourty one 24^fas: [Pa. 583]: 12 p^d in [by] Beetle & Tobacco [farmers] 41: 24 [Acct] y^e old debt.

Gruapa &c^a. Arrack Farmers pays into the R^t. Hon^ble. Comp[anys] Cash on that Acco^s. pagodas three hundred & sixteen 24^fa. Pa. 316: 24: p^d acco^t y^e arrack Farmers.

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No Goods to be sent to ye West Coast but on ye Comps Accot. Notes to be affix'd at ye Gates to give notice.

On ꝑuseing of the Generall Letter by the Heathcote Wee finde by the 87th Pār: of said Letter the Honble: Company doe strictly [and] possitively forbid the sending any Goods from this Coast to Sumatra upon any pretence whatsoever excepting for their own accounts, Ordered that Notes be affixed at the Sea Gate in the usuall Languges to give notice thereof that none may pretend Ignorance, And that noe Goods be sent on board the ffrederick (now design'd thither) but by ꝑmission of the Warehousekeepr. and Sea Customer to the intent this our Order m[ust] not be perverted.

The Rice yt came from Bengall to sold.

Agreed & Ordered that the Rice from Bengall that came by the Sommers & Kent being musty, be sold something undr the markett price for the benefitt of the poor, haveing wro[tt] overland to Bengall for a supply to be sent us by the Hallifax.

There being a vacancey in the Council.

Upon perusall of the Rt. Honble. Companys Generall Letter by the Heathcote for the Establishing the Council of this place they [doe] Order and appoint the same to consist of the President & Eight other persons and in regard Mr. Mountague by their said Gene[rall] Letter was appointed third of the Council here & by reason of th[e] Presidents being called hence from Fort St. David by which [the] Deputy Governrship of that place became vacant, to supply which Mr. Mountague was appointed to succeed & fill up [by] which means there is one still wanting of the Council here since Mr. Harrison was elected of this Council to make up that number

Wm Warre elected

itt is unanimously agreed that Mr. William Warre he haveing passed through severall employs with accomend[ation] be chosen wch he thankfully accepted of & tooke his place accord[ingly] he promiseing to continue as Secry. (in wch place he is well experienced) provided he be allow'd an assistant.

Mr Mason to be sub secretary

Ordered that Mr. Mason do officiate as sub secretary and take Charge of all books & papers in the Office, ye Governr to give him ye Oath of secrecy.

J. Harrison.	Richd. Hunt.	Robt. Raworth.	Will: Fraser.
William Warre.	Edwd. Bulkley	Tho: Frederick.	W. Martin.
	Wm. Jennings.		

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List of persons in the service of the Rt. Honble English East India Company in Fort St. George and places on the Coast of Choromandell

	Arrivll in India.	Present design.	Salary.
			£
William Fraser Esqr. Govr. & Presidt. ..	May 31st 1685	Governr	200
		Gratuity.	100
William Martin Accomptt. marry'd a Casteez.	..	2d. Council.	100
Robert Raworth Warehousekeepr ..	..	3d Council.	70
Thomas Frederick Sea Customer md. E. W. ..	..	4th Council.	50
Richard Hunt Paymaster	July 16th 1688.	5th Council.	40
Edward Bulkely Land Customer	..	6th Council.	40
William Jennings Storekeeper	..	7th Council.	40
Jeremiah Harrison Receiver	..	8th Council.	40
William Warre Secry. md E. W.	June 16th 1701.	9th Council.	40
		gratuity.	10
Thomas Faucett Steward	Junr	Mercht.	30
Anthony Ettricke under Searcher md E. W..	Septr. 9th 1702.	Do.	30
Ferdinando Coningesby at the Sea Gate ..	Decr. 14th 1703.	Do.	30

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	Arriv.ll in India.	Prest design.	Salary. £
John Rudge under Warehousekeep[r] ..	June 16th 1701.	March.	30
Joseph Smart under the Paymaster ..	March 18th 1702.	Factor.	15
Thomas Cooke under Land Customer ..	Sept. 9th 1702.	D°.	15
John Legg Register	Jan[ry]. 13th 170$\frac{8}{9}$.	D°.	15
Josiah Cooke	..	Writer.	5
Alexander Bennett under y[e] Warehousekeep[r].	July 18th 1707.	D°.	5
John Mason Sub Sec[ry].	Aug. [...] 1707.	D°.	5
Edward Croke under the Sec[ry].	Jan[ry]. [...] 170$\frac{8}{9}$.	D°.	5
Thomas Gray under y[e] Accompt[ts].	Jan[ry] [...] 170$\frac{8}{9}$.	D°.	5
Humphry Holcombe under Do.	Feb[ry]. [...] 170$\frac{8}{9}$.	D°.	5
Fleet Aynesworth	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	5
John Emmerson under the Sec[ry]. ..	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	5
William Harris	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	5
John Morgan	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	5
Thomas Wilford	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	[...]
Simon Holcombe	Sept[r]. [...] 1709.	D°.	[...]
Benjamin Chitty	Oct[r]. 21st 1709	D°.	[...]
John Perry under the Sec[ry].	Oct[r]. 21st 1709.	D°.	[...]
Richard Smith	Oct[ry]. 21st 1709.	D°.	[...]
Augustus Burton under the Sec[ry].	Oct[ry]. 21st 1709.	D°.	[...]

George Lewis, Edward Jones } Ministers.

Robson Surgeon.

Francis Cooke, John Cooke } Assaymasters.

LIST OF THE RT HONBLE COMP. SERV[TS]. IN FORT S[T] DAVID ANNO 1709.

Edmund Mountague Esq[r]. Dep.[ty] Govern[r]	...		100
Richard Farmer m[d] E. W	Sept. 5:1684	2[d] Council	40
John Berlu m[d] E. W	...	3 Council	40
Richard Harrison Sea Customer Cuddalore ...	June 21st 1701	4 Council	30
Philip Baker	...	5 Council	30
John Bulteel	...	6 Council	30
Matthew Weld	June 16th 1701	7 Council	30
John Scarlet	June 17th 1701	Jun[r]. Mer[t]	30
Henry Cotterell	...	Factor	[15]
Henry Russell	June 11th 1702	d°.	15
Daniel Evans	July 12th 1707	Writer	5
Joseph Houghton	Jan[ry]. 18th 1709	d°.	5
Nathaniell Turner	Jan[ry]. 18th 1709	d°.	5
David Morton Surgeon			

AT VIZAGAPATAM.

Francis Hastings Cheif	June 16th 1701	Sen[r] Mer[t]	40
Robert Cranwell Accompt.[r]	..	2[d] D°.	40
Richard Horden		3[d] Factor	15
Joseph Hiller		Writer	

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WIDDOWS

Mary Addison
Elizabeth Caryl
Margery Heathfield
Anne Fornet
Sarah How
Mary Dubois
Sarah Sinclare
Penelope Mead
Cornelia Bugden
Diana Stables
Gratia Griffith
Anne Hunt
Judith Heaton
Katherine Maxwell
Jane Carry
Anne Wigmore
Mary Philips
Anne Ingram
Anne Brabourn
Amy Hall
Mary Cooper
Ursula Oneal
Mary Channell
Mary Chardin
Elizabeth Holcombe
Mary Ramsden
Jeionemah Depoiva
Rachell Abendana
Wrighte
Edwards
Mary Lacy

YOUNG WOMEN UNMARRY'D.

Elizabeth Browne.
Elizabeth Payne.
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